

Chromebook information

Chromebooks have many advantages over a traditional BYOD (also known as BYOT) model for our students:

- Chromebooks are easy to use; they boot up in seconds; they join our WiFi immediately, and the batteries will last up to 10 hours. The Chromebook's durable design is much more suited to the rigors of classroom use than most laptops are. The School can control the apps that are available on the Chromebook and apps can be deployed to class groups in seconds by their teachers.
- Chromebooks cloud-based operating system and do not require anti-virus and antimalware software or active firewalls.
- Chromebooks support collaboration. Chromebooks facilitate individual and co-operative
 work through apps and Office 365 (online version). Our students are also able to cast
 their Chromebooks to the large screens installed in the classrooms to showcase their
 work, their collaborations, and their creativity.
- The overwhelming feedback from the students is that they love using their Chromebooks.
 We have been able to embed the Chromebooks into the curriculum and avoid some of the distractions that BYOD brings.
- Chromebooks give the teachers more time for teaching. Having one controllable device
 in the classrooms means that the teachers can spend more time teaching, and less time
 troubleshooting, finding lost documents and diagnosing niggling problems. This also
 makes it easier for our IT department to support students and teachers with learning.
- Chromebooks remove the risk of lost work due to hardware failure, theft or damage. Chromebooks can be replaced straight away with another unit and students will not lose any work.
- Chromebooks help the School minimise the distraction of gaming as they are a controlled environment that reduce distraction.
- If a student needs to have their Chromebook repaired, the School will loan the student a Chromebook until theirs is repaired

