Sydney Catholic Schools
BYO Device Requirements

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Hardware
- The device must support both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz wireless networks.
- The device must support the 802.11n wireless protocol.
- It is recommended that the device should support the 802.11ac wireless protocol.
- For device-specific RAM requirements, please refer to page 3, Device Specific Information.
- The device should have a battery life of a minimum of 8 hours.

Operating System
- The device must be running either the current version or the previous version of the following operating systems:
    - Microsoft Windows 11
    - Apple MacOS v15 or newer
    - Apple iOS v18 or newer
    - Google Chrome OS v141 or newer;

Software
- The device must run an up-to-date antivirus and antimalware program.

Warranty and Repairs

- It is recommended that the device include an on-site warranty for the computer's useful life, e.g., 3 years for notebooks and 2 years for tablets and Chromebooks.
- Purchasing a warranty for BYO devices is the responsibility of the parent/carer.
- Warranty claims for BYO devices are the responsibility of the parent/carer.

Support

In-scope of Support

- ICT will only provide best effort support for:
  - Connecting to the wireless
  - Connecting to the internet
  - Connecting to Google Workspace for Education
  - Connecting to school printers
  - Chrome browser

Out-of-scope of Support

- All support and maintenance other than what is listed under In-scope of Support is not supported by ICT and is not the responsibility of the school
- Fault diagnosis, warranty claims and hardware and software repairs are not the responsibility of the school
- BYO devices shall not be bound to the school domain
- BYO devices shall not have a Standard Operating Environment (SOE) provided for by the school
- BYO devices shall not have school licensed software installed on them unless this is specifically permitted in the terms of the software agreement.

Device Specific Information

Laptop & 2-in-1

- The device must support both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz wireless networks.

- It is recommended that the device should support the 802.11ac wireless standard.

- The device should have a minimum of 8GB of memory.

- The device should have an advertised battery life of a minimum of 8 hours.

- Recommended screen size:
  11" or higher for primary students
  13" or higher for secondary students

Chromebook & iPad

Chromebooks

- The device should have a battery life of a minimum of 8 hours.

- The Chromebook must receive updates from Google - Auto Update Policy.

Apple iPadOS

- Minimum 9.7-inch screen

- Run Apple iOS v18 or newer

Operating System & Antivirus

The device must be running either the **current public release version** or the immediate previous major version of the following operating systems:

- Microsoft Windows 11
- Apple MacOS v15 or newer
- Apple iOS v18 or newer
- Google Chrome OS v141 or newer

SCS does not support the use of Linux Distribution software or Android.

The device must run an up-to-date antivirus and antimalware program.

Warranty and Repairs

- It is recommended that the device include an on-site warranty for the computer's useful life, e.g., 3 years for notebooks and 2 years for tablets/Chromebooks.

- Purchasing a warranty for BYO devices is the responsibility of the parent/carer.

- Warranty claims for BYO devices are the responsibility of the parent/carer.

Out-of-Scope for School IT Staff

- Extensive fault diagnosis, warranty claims and hardware and software repairs are not the responsibility of the school;

- BYO devices will not be bound to the school domain server;

- BYO devices will not have a Standard Operating Environment (SOE) provided for by the school and;

- BYO devices will not have school-licensed software installed unless specifically permitted in the license agreement.