



Kings Meadows
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Re: 2019 Grade 7 - 1:1 Device Implementation

Kings Meadows High School will be implementing a 1:1 device program for all year 7 students, in 2019.

Students today need the knowledge, skills and confidence to make ICT work for them in school and beyond. Students in year 7 will be able to use their device for educational purposes. Having ongoing access to technology will help your child:

- develop greater independence;
- increase engagement; and
- develop skills required to thrive in the 21st Century.

In the Australian Curriculum, it is expected that students learn to use ICT effectively and appropriately to access, create, and communicate information and ideas, solve problems and work collaboratively in all learning areas at school.

We are excited for the rollout and to provide you with more information about our 1:1 device initiative for year 7, 2019. This program will provide students with personal portable computers to enhance opportunities for learning. The devices help nurture individual (or 1:1) learning experiences. Our teachers have been working with digital resources and instructional technology to enhance student learning over the past several years.

All students in year 7 will be issued a device after payment of the hire fee of \$50 per annum. Students may bring their own device, however it must meet the minimum requirements below. Families will need to complete an “opt out” if they choose to supply their own device to prevent being charged. Students will be expected to retain this device for use in year 8, 9 and 10. At the end of each school year all devices will be collected for updating, maintenance and storage over the Christmas break. The same device will be reissued to each student the following year. In the final year of High School students and their families will have the option of purchasing the device for a minimal amount.

Alternative Device - Specifications

Students in year 7 who choose not to hire the Kings Meadows High School 1:1 device may choose to bring their own device to use. The minimum operating specifications for such a device is listed below:

Minimum Requirements				
Device	Operating System	Lock-down browser	Hardware	Not Supported
Microsoft Tablets	Windows 7 or above	Lockdown for windows	Device manufactured 2014 or later 1GB RAM, 1Ghz processor, 1GB free hard drive space. Optional: keyboard	Devices pre 2013 Windows RT, Windows 10S, Windows CE
Mac Book	OS X 10.9	Lockdown for Mac	Macintosh with 1GB RAM, 1Ghz processor, 1GB free hard drive space.	
iPad	iOS 10.3.3	Lockdown for iOS	iPad Air iPad Air 2 iPad (2017 or later) iPad Pro	iPad minis iPad 1 or 2 iPad 3 rd or 4 th gen
Chromebook	Chromebook Version 32	Lockdown for Chrome	Device manufactured 2014 or later	Operating outside Chromebook Management console

The minimum requirements are in place to support access to a range of online blended learning tools and NAPLAN online.

The benefits to teaching and learning programs, where digital technologies are embedded need to be established and communicated. This could include, but is not limited to:

- access to online resources, experts and learning communities;
- providing authentic, rich contexts for learning;
- personalising learning;
- connecting and collaborating to build new knowledge;
- developing contemporary skills;
- improving assessment, reporting and feedback; and
- connecting families with their child's learning.

Educational Activities

Student devices will be used to access resources, complete assignments, and for personal organisation. The majority of learning will occur through a platform called Canvas.

Canvas is our new Department of Education online Learning Management System. It is a virtual classroom – a space where teachers can collaboratively plan units of work, students can engage with their learning, access resources, and seek and receive feedback, and progress can be tracked and celebrated. We are excited about the endless possibilities that *Canvas* can offer for staff, students, and families and we look forward to further progressing our work in this space.

Here is a link to the Canvas App video tutorial <http://bit.ly/UsingtheCanvasApp> In addition there are more Canvas resources available via the DoE website <https://www.education.tas.gov.au/canvas-resources/>

We will use a blended learning approach. Blended Learning is a term used to describe the process of combining online web tools and media with traditional classroom methods in order to improve engagement, collaboration and accessibility for students. At Kings Meadows High School, we believe that Blended Learning is a powerful way to transform education; through the use of these tools and learning management systems, we can empower students to have a say in the time, place and pace of their learning.

Safe and Secure

To maintain a safe and secure learning environment, a filtered Internet connection will be provided for students. Any unauthorised use can result in the device being confiscated, searched, and privileges being revoked.

Responsibility

Students are solely responsible for their allocated device. They must bring it fully charged to school each day. Similar to other personally owned items, Kings Meadows High School is not liable for loss, damage, misuse, or theft.

Technical Support

Resources will be provided to help students connect their device to the school network. Teachers will incorporate the use of your child's device into learning. We look forward to the educational opportunities this new change will provide.

Optional Accessories

We will confirm the 1:1 device that will be made available to students in year 7, 2019 to enable you to purchase optional accessories for the device to enhance learning. e.g.: Wireless keyboard, stylus pen.

If you have any questions about this initiative please contact, Katie Wightman via email:

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Thankyou



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