Bring Your Own Device (BYOx) Program Years 7-12

Cairns State High School is a Bring Your Own Device (BYOx) school. This means that students are required to bring their own laptop to school each day. The laptop will need to be able to connect to the school network and the Internet. A Parent Information Evening will be held on Tuesday, 20th November in the Auditorium from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

Student laptops will need to meet minimum requirements in order to be able to operate within the school's network:

- 4Gb RAM or more
- Windows 8 / Windows 10 / Mac OSx 10.12.x operating system (or newer)
- Wi-Fi 802.11n/ac or better (5Ghz)
  The term “Dual Band” covers this (most laptops).
  If “Single Band” make sure it’s the 5Ghz radio band.
- 128Gb or more storage (HDD or SSD)

In order to participate students and parents/carers must sign the Student BYOx Charter to guarantee appropriate use of laptops whilst at school. The Student BYOx Charter is included in the enrolment package and is available on the school’s website.

Parents/carers must also pay the Network Enhancement Fee as part of the Student Resource Scheme. The BYOx charter should be completed and returned with the enrolment forms. At the commencement of the school year students and parents will be emailed WiFi connection information.

Three emails will be sent about “Prepare”, “Install” and “Connect”, starting in December. For those who prefer hands on assistance, the school will also run a number of “Prepare Install Connect” devices” education sessions for parents.

These hourly sessions will occur on:

- 9am to 1pm Saturday 2 February, 2019, Library
- 5:30pm to 7:00pm, Tuesday 5 February, 2019, Library

Entry through gate, off corner of Grafton and Upward Streets.

Bookings will be essential. Information will be available via email for bookings in 2019.

The school has prepared a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) to assist parents/carers to understand how the BYOx program will operate. The school technicians have also prepared a step by step guide. All these documents are available on the eLearning page of the Cairns High Website. The website also has additional information about programs and security.

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