



Bring Your Own Device 2023

Year 4-6

30 September 2022

Dear Families,

In Years 4-6, your child's learning is supported through the use of a Chromebook as a digital device. The purpose and goal of this BYOD option are to develop and lift student achievement in the core curriculum areas of Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

Being part of a BYOD classroom (one Chromebook for every child) means that there is unlimited potential to enhance and improve learning. The use of Chromebooks allows for:

- Quicker access to online learning opportunities and information.
- Greater connection with home as devices and learning can be taken home each day.
- Increased engagement of learners.
- File and information sharing between teachers and students.
- Collaboration through a greater range of connections with others.
- Development of technological skills, preparing students for their future.
- Personalised instruction through individualised access to online learning tools.
- Increased communication between home and school.

Being part of a BYOD classroom does NOT mean that children spend all day on their devices. Our practice reflects our belief in a blended approach. There are opportunities for learning using both digital tools alongside all the other experiences children get at school.

We have developed a pamphlet that includes more information about our school's BYOD programme, including device requirements and costs. This is attached for your information.

We have received from our ICT supplier, Schooled Up IT, their package Chromebook deal for BYOD 2023. This will allow you to deal directly with them. Schooled Up IT can provide an education package for \$539 incl GST - licensed for management on the school network, out of the box and ready to go. Further details are below. If you choose to purchase your child's Chromebook through our school supplier and wish to receive delivery this year or by the start of the 2023 school year, please ensure your order & payment is in prior to the cut off day **Friday 9th December**. It is not essential that it is purchased by this date. Devices can be delivered in January ready for the start of the school year.

If you decide to purchase outside of this arrangement, which you are more than welcome to do, please be aware that all Chromebooks must come with a Google approved Google Management License. In the event that a device is purchased elsewhere other than Schooled Up IT there will be an additional charge of \$105 for procurement, application and management of this license onto the school's network. This charge will be payable to Schooled Up IT.

In order to ensure everyone is set up and ready to go for the school year:

- All BYOD devices are to be at school on the very first day, just like their school books. We will have our IT staff onsite to have them ready for learning.
- The device will need to stay at school for the first week as we develop a code of care with the students.
- Those purchased as Christmas gifts can be collected prior to the end of this year if required. However, please be aware that our cyber security requirements may change how the device has been used for recreational purposes over the summer holiday period. (Applications and bookmarks may be lost if multiple users have been set up, including on devices purchased elsewhere.)

Other Points to Note:

- You will own any device outright, but the Chromebook needs to be considered a learning tool, just the same as the student's school books.
- If the student's school Google address is logged into at any time, the school's cybersmart protocols will apply and will be monitored.
- You will be very welcome to use the Chromebook for family and personal use which cannot be monitored by the school through the guest login.

What do you do if you want to know more or if purchasing a device presents challenges for you? Please contact me. I will do my best to help where I can, or can direct your questions to one of our team leaders.

Kindest regards,

Bryan Trevean
Principal/Tumuaki



Belmont School BYOD 2023: information & link to order form

If you choose to purchase your child's Chromebook through our school supplier Schooled Up IT and wish to receive delivery this year or beginning of Term 1 2023, please ensure your order & payment are made as soon as possible and prior to the cut off day:

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Schooled Up IT are experienced, Ministry of Education approved, ICT providers to the education sector and provide ICT support to Belmont School. Additionally, Schooled Up IT have supplied school ready Chromebook packages to school families across NZ since 2015.

If you wish to purchase a Chromebook for use in our BYOD programme Schooled Up IT can supply a Premium Education Package for \$539 incl GST - licensed for management on the school network & incorporating customisable elearning/teaching tools - out of the box and ready to go:

- Acer C733 Chromebook 11.6" Quad N4100 4GB 32GB HDMI rugged Chromebook or Lenovo N100E (both recommended devices and choice dependent on availability at time of order) - Acer and Lenovo have proven performance record in schools across the globe;
- 1 year manufacturer's warranty; or upgrade to 3 yr at additional cost of \$39;
- Google Chrome Management License (required so that the Chromebook can be managed on the school network, inherit security features & customisable elearning/teaching tools), deployment and management of the Chromebook to the school network;
- a protective, water resistant sleeve;
- delivery to school, home or work address (courier fee \$19);
- tailored payment plan by arrangement between the customer and Schooled Up IT

In managing BYOD devices on the school network we must ensure that there is consistency with licensing for both school owned Chromebooks and BYOD Chromebooks. In the case of BYOD the purchase of an education ready package deal achieves this and gives families the opportunity to purchase everything required at a great price. In the event that a device is purchased elsewhere a charge of \$105 for enrolment, deployment and management of the free Google education license, on the school network will apply. The free licenses must be provided by an authorised Google partner.

The Google Education License enables the device to be configured and managed on the Belmont School network. It is best practise to use licenses in a BYOD education environment as licensing ensures security

and integrity of the school network and optimal use of devices and Apps from a teaching & learning perspective. The BYOD device is restricted to use of a student school account during school hours only. Outside of designated school hours any user account can be signed into on the Chromebook.

The license also enables invaluable security features, such as, in the event that the device is lost or misplaced it can be completely disabled so that it is unusable other than to display a message advising where the Chromebook should be returned to. The unusable state can, of course, be reversed once the device is found or returned.

Click [Here](#) to order a Premium Education Chromebook Package. Order or layby now for Christmas 2022 or Term 1 2023 - early orders recommended as stock is still limited due to Covid 19 manufacturing and shipping delays

Purchase options:

- Payment in one sum - order now for invoicing, payment and delivery in December 2022 or January 2023
- Layby - order and layby now, set up an AP to suit your budget for delivery in January 2023

We welcome any questions that you may have. If you would like to contact Schooled Up IT please email Barbara Kells chromebooks@schooledupit.co.nz or phone 027 567 9500