

GREENHITHE SCHOOL
BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) STUDENT AGREEMENT 2024



Students must read and sign the BYOD Student Agreement in the company of a parent or caregiver unless otherwise directed by the principal.

Before you can use a school device or bring your own device to school, you must agree to these rules and sign the agreement.

1. I will use the school's Wi-Fi network for learning, using the Google account given to me.
2. I will only use my device for activities set and supervised by the teacher when at school.
3. I understand I am responsible for the content on my device and my google account.
4. I will only use Google Chrome as my internet browser.
5. I will be logged into my school Google account at all times and I will not share my password with anyone.
6. I will always use the Hapara extension when I am on the internet at school.
7. I will stay safe by not giving my personal information or passwords to other students or strangers.
8. I will not hack or bypass any hardware and software security put in place by my school.
9. I will not record any video or audio on my device without the permission of those being recorded.
10. I will not use any device to knowingly search for, link to, access or send anything that is offensive, not meant for children, mean to others or considered to be bullying. If I am not sure, I will ask a teacher.
11. I will not keep inappropriate material on my device.
12. I will report inappropriate behaviour and inappropriate material to my teacher immediately.
13. I understand that my activity on the internet is recorded and that these records may be used in investigations.
14. I understand that I am fully responsible for my own device. I acknowledge that the school cannot be held responsible for any damage to, or theft of my device.

15. I understand that mobile phones are not permitted to be used during school hours. They must be handed in and kept in the school office
16. I have read the BYOD Student Agreement document and agree to comply with the requirements.
17. I have reviewed the BYOD Device Requirements document and have ensured my device meets the minimum outlined specifications (attached).
18. I understand that there will be consequences for breaking any of these rules, such as loss of access to a device or the network for a period of time deemed suitable by the school.

Date: ___ / ___ / ___

_____ in the presence of: _____
Student name Parent/caregiver name

_____ _____
Student signature Parent/caregiver signature

BYOD Device Requirements

We strongly recommend the use of a Chromebook as these have proven reliable and durable at other schools. However, students are welcome to bring in any laptop so long as it meets these requirements. **Please note: Tablets and iPads are not to be used as BYOD devices.**

Wireless connectivity:

The Wi-Fi network installed in Greenhithe School operates on the **802.11n 5Ghz standard**. Devices that do not support this standard will not be able to connect.

Operating system:

The current or prior version of any operating system.

Software and apps:

School-based requirements. All software and apps should be fully updated. Devices need to have the **Chrome** browser and Hapara extension installed and working.

Battery life:

A minimum of 8 hours battery life to last the school day.

Memory and RAM:

A minimum specification of 4 GB RAM *to process data effectively*.

Hardware features:

Camera and microphone.

Ergonomics:

Minimum screen size of 11 inches and a sturdy keyboard *to enable continuous use throughout the day*.

Other considerations

Casing: Tough and sturdy to avoid breakage.

Weight: Lightweight for ease of carrying.

Durability: Durable and strong.

Insurance and warranty: Be aware of the terms of insurance policies/warranties for the device. The school will not accept responsibility for loss or breakage.

Accessories (optional)

Carry case: Supply a carry case or skin to protect the device.

Back-up storage: Consider a portable hard drive as an appropriate source of back-up storage for essential documents.

BYOD Student Responsibilities

Operating system and anti-virus:

Students must ensure they have a legal and licensed version of a supported operating system and software. If applicable, students' devices must be equipped with anti-virus software.

Greenhithe School's Wi-Fi network connection only:

Student devices are only permitted to connect to the school's Wi-Fi network while at school.

Battery life and charging:

Students must ensure they bring their device to school fully charged for the entire school day. *No charging equipment will be supplied by the school.*

Theft and damage:

Students are responsible for securing and protecting their devices at school. *Any loss or damage to a device is not the responsibility of the school.*

Breaching the BYOD Student Agreement.

Students' devices may be inspected if the school has reasonable grounds to suspect that a device contains data which breaches the BYOD Student Agreement. Students' accounts may be suspended if there are grounds to do so.

Maintenance and support:

Students are solely responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their devices.

Ergonomics:

Students should ensure they are comfortable using their devices during the school day, particularly in relation to screen size, sturdy keyboard etc.

Data back-up:

Students are responsible for backing-up their own data and should ensure this is done regularly.

Insurance/warranty:

Students and their parents/caregivers are responsible for arranging their own insurance and should be aware of the warranty conditions for the device. It is recommended you get Accidental Damage cover.