

# BYOD



TOWNSVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL 16





## BYOD

Townsville Grammar School supports a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) platform for students. BYOD enables students to use personal devices including, but not limited to, laptops, tablets, notebooks and smart phones with browsing capabilities to connect to the School's network and access resources such as the School Management System and the School's Learning Management System (Moodle) and connect to the Internet through the School's Internet Service Provision.

BYOD means students can bring whatever e-learning device they prefer to best facilitate their learning at School. You do not have to buy an additional device; use whatever device you already own.

**BYOD** is entirely optional – students can choose to learn using whatever format best suits their style of learning.

**BYOD** also means students can choose to use e-books as their text book, instead of hard copy. They can choose to keep a hard copy at home and bring their e-books to School on a single lightweight device, or use e-books exclusively, where available or subject to availability.

Our **BYOD** platform supports our *Gr8Teaching@Grammar* programme which generates unparalleled academic success in North Queensland.

The key to the **BYOD** platform is flexibility and suitability. It is flexible enough to allow learning to occur anywhere, at any time within the School, in the way that best suits the learning style and e-preferences of each student.











## USEFUL TIPS FOR YOUR CHILDREN

- Remember to make backup copies of books and data.
- Engrave your name on your device.
- Use a protective case.
- e-Book information is available on the text book list or on the TGS website.





#### Making your child's device 'School Ready'

The BYOD platform supports students bringing their own devices to School to facilitate learning when and how best suits them. Learning opportunities occur everyday, so BYOD covers our Boarding Students as well. It mirrors the style of learning at all universities so is excellent preparation for the way learning is delivered in post-secondary environments. BYOD encourages and promotes students taking responsibility for their own learning, in the way that best suits them.

- 1. Make sure WiFi is turned on. BYOD is supported by the School's fully inclusive WiFi availability. WiFi is available 8:00am to 10:00pm at our North Ward Campus. It is open to both Day and Boarding Students.
- 2. Have students network password ready. This is your login to access WiFi and other informative areas to aid in your e-learning experience. The TGS WiFi network allows students to access the TGS Learning Management System (*Moodle*).
- 3. Log in to Moodle to access subject resources. Moodle is the online medium teachers use to provide students with information such as assessment planners, assignment sheets, additional learning notes, reminders, and of links to extension activities they can use to supplement their learning.

All TGS students can connect to the TGS network using their network name and password. This network is administered by Netbox Blue filtering system to allow appropriate access to the internet.



### Download the TGS App



Skoolbag is fast becoming our main School communication tool. Our free mobile App will be used to communicate directly to both parents AND students.

It works through smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets)
The School will use it for -

- Sport cancellations / results / draws
- Parent eForms absentee and change of detail notes
- Event reminders
- Up to the minute updates
- Newsletters
- School calendar
- RSVP to events via email or sms

All alerts can be tailored to send information only for your child's specific year level, or sporting group (eg rugby and netball for your Yr 5 and Yr 7 children). Set this up in 'settings.'









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