

BYOD Minimum Hardware Specifications

Component	Minimum Requirement	Notes
Wi-Fi	a/n/ac 5 GHz	Units must be able to connect to a Cisco n/ac standard wireless access point.
Battery	6 hrs	Units must remain charged for a full school day with moderate use. Please remember battery charge will deteriorate over time. The more capacity the better. Usually 6 cell battery It would be good if your warranty also includes battery replacement. NB The school does not offer charge facility
Operating System	Windows 8.1 (x64) or Windows 10 (x64)	Since the units will only connected to the wi-fi it can be home addition. x64 architecture to fit within our existing school environment Nb Some parents may opt for a MacBook however please be aware not all the required software (especially the OneNote plugins) will work on a Mac.
CPU (Processor)	Intel Atom Quad core Processor	The better the processor eg Intel core i3/i5 the better the learning experience for your child. Please be aware some cheaper units offer AMD processors that may not be optimised for a mobile use and can be very power hungry.
Screen size	10.1” WXGA 1366 x 768	Once again a balance between weight, usability, battery life. Too small you require lots of scrolling, too large uses too much battery and cannot be placed safely on the school desk. For optimal school use about a 12” screen is recommended.
Input	Keyboard, touchpad	Again for productivity it is suggested at least 10 point touch enabled screen, and possibly even stylus input. Students may also opt for an external mouse.
Output	1 x USB 3.0	Please consider having at least one USB charge port and HDMI or display port. Good to have at least 2 USB ports. You may also wish to consider a docking station at home to connect other peripherals including external monitor
RAM	4 GB	To enable having more than one application open.
Storage	120 GB	Solid state drive gives better performance and uses less battery. Also since it has no moving parts it may not break down.
Recommended Suggestions		
Weight	Under 2 kg	Your child will need to carry this to and from school everyday, need to balance weight, robustness, usability, recommended the weight of the unit is kept to under 1.5 kg
Carry case	Padded carry case, with rigid corners	Must fit inside your child’s school bag, Tanc cases are very robust.
Warranty	For the expected life of the unit (1 – 3 year)	NB Most consumer grade units have a 12 month Return To Base warranty with no timelines on repair times. Upgrade to NBD onsite warranty repair with a guarantee repair time.
Insurance		Highly recommended. May be covered via credit card or home insurance please check
Portable Hard drive		For backups Highly recommended.
Computrace or something similar		If unit gets left behind, lost, stolen.

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