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Bring Your Own Device - Student Expectations

This document applies to devices brought into school to support students' learning within lessons. Suitable devices are limited to laptops, notebooks and tablets. The school expects all students to use a Windows, Android or IoS operating system. Mobile phones are not considered to be suitable devices for use within a lesson.

The following students only are allowed to bring their own device into school;
- Sixth Formers
- those with identified SEND needs and where the school has approved them bringing a device to support their learning.

Students may use their own device for lessons and independent work, but not for assessments. These must be handwritten. The only exception is where a student has been assessed by our Special Needs Co-ordinator and where a word processor has been agreed as an access arrangement. (Teachers will always have been informed if this is the case.)

Bishop Stopford School will not accept responsibility for devices which are lost, stolen, damaged or otherwise rendered unusable whilst on school premises or taken on a school trip. Students should not share their device with other students, but if they choose to, do so at their own risk.

It is a privilege to use a device on the school network and the sole purpose is to support learning and educational outcomes. Students must comply with any staff request to put away, shut down or close the screen of their device. Students who bring their own device must use either the BSS Guest or BSS Student wifi. Students must not hardwire their devices into the school network.

Students who do not adhere to the expectations outlined in the Bring Your Own Device and Acceptable Use policies are subject to sanctions as outline in our Behaviour Policy.

The IT Support Team and the Pastoral, Safeguarding and Wellbeing (PSW) team have the right to examine any device which is suspected of containing material which contravenes the Acceptable Use Policy or other school rules, has been used to cause harm or presents a threat to the network.