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BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) PROGRAM

Dear Parents, Greetings from Dewvale School!

In recognition of the significant impact of technology in today's education, the school understands the importance of giving access to the students to internet-capable devices on the school premises. This is seen as a resource that provides an opportunity to enable quick and easy access to the Internet to enhance learning.

Students will be introduced to the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program under the supervision and direction of the teachers. The students of **Grade 1 to Grade 7** are required to bring their devices **everyday except Friday** to school, fully charged. Students may bring any device (laptop, tablet, iPad, etc.). **Mobile phones will not be permitted**.

We request parents to cooperate with us and guide their child towards making the best use of the gadgets in school.

Guidelines for Use:

- Students must use devices as directed by their teachers only.
- The primary purpose of the use of personal devices at school is only educational. Using the device for personal reasons is not permitted.
- Devices may only be used to access computer files on internet sites that are relevant to the classroom curriculum and as per the instructions from the teacher.
- Students shall not use personal devices outside of their classroom unless otherwise directed by their teacher e.g., on school visits or activities.
- Personal devices must be charged prior school and run on battery power while at school. Charging of devices will not be permitted at school.
- Each device should be labeled and each student is solely responsible for his/her device.
- The school will not accept any responsibility for the loss or damage of the devices.
- Parents must ensure that there is no non-educational material stored on the device e.g., music, movies, videos, and games.
- Students must adhere to school rules regarding cyberbullying, digital citizenship, and netiquette at all times.
- Students must report inappropriate electronic device usage to a teacher immediately if it has come to their notice.



• Students should refrain from engaging in non-educational activities such as playing games, watching videos, clicking pictures, using social media, listening to music, texting etc. while in school.

Please note that if a student is caught using a personal device for any malicious purpose, or to disrupt the educational environment, the following action will be taken:

- First instance The device will be confiscated. It will be returned to the parent only. He / She will have to come to school and collect it. Entry will be made in the discipline register.
- Second instance The student will be suspended from bringing the device for 2 weeks. The device will be confiscated and returned only to the parent. Entry will be made in the discipline register.
- Third instance –The student will forfeit the BYOD provision for the academic year. The device will be confiscated and returned only to the parent.

Best Regards,

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