

Dear Parents/Whanau,

Many of you will be planning for 2021, especially in relation to providing technology to support your child's learning. In 2021 we will continue with our BYOD iPad plan, together with the ongoing provision of school devices.

Why iPADS?

Since 2014 the school has, and will continue to use iPads and iPad minis as these devices:

- Have proven to be more durable and reliable long-term than any other tablet
- Work effectively and intuitively on the school network and systems
- Are devices that best support all facets of learning, especially creative and collaborative learning experiences for our children
- Have multiple applications that have value in educational settings
- Are the device that staff have received the most professional learning in and hence can support learning best with

The use of iPads and technology to support learning provides children with the opportunity to access a wide range of tools to choose from to learn, personalise their learning by choosing how they learn and collaborate, give feedback and share their learning. Children also have the opportunity to easily connect with the outside world, with their teachers and with others.

YEARS 5-6: Our plan for 2021 is for each student to have access to a dedicated device (their own iPad or one provided by the school) to support their learning. Obviously, children who have their own iPad will be able to take this home and continue their learning in their own time. At this stage, school-provided iPads will be for in-school use only. All students intending on BYOD will need to complete the relevant permission and agreement forms and the iPad must have the agreed apps pre-loaded and checked by their homebase teacher prior to use at school (see below).

YEARS 3-4: In this area of the school children will have access to a shared iPad (it is likely we will have one iPad for every two children). Children in Year 3 and 4 may also bring their own iPad (BYOD) to use at school, to do this they will need to complete the relevant permission and agreement forms (see below).

Years 1-2: The school will provide all of the devices for Year 1 & 2 students. In 2021 we will not be inviting these children to bring their own iPad so please keep these at home at all times if your child does have one.

If you would like your Y3-6 child to BYOD in 2021 please complete the attached form and return it to your child's homebase teacher as soon as possible. Children will require this form to be completed, the iPad set up as required, and then checked by their teacher before using it at school in 2021.

Kind Regards
Andrew Barker
Principal

WAITĀKIRI SCHOOL

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD iPad) Parent Permission Form

iPads provide multiple opportunities to enhance learning for our children. They are to be used in a way that reflect our *REAL Learning Heroes* values; Respectfully, Encouraging, Achieving and Lifelong Learning.

Policy and guidelines you are agreeing to are:

- The required set of apps need to be pre-loaded onto the iPad.
- The school reserves the right to confiscate an iPad, regardless of ownership, if it is believed that there has been access to inappropriate sites or it has been used in an inappropriate and/or disrespectful way. Parents/whanau will be contacted if this is the case
- Devices that are owned by the student/family are brought to school at the risk (and with the insurance) of the family
- The school will not accept liability for damage to, loss or theft of, any device
- The iPad is to be used for learning purposes only while at school
- The iPad is not to be used to contact any family members or friends during school hours (All communication is to be made through the school office)
- Unless approved by a staff member, iPads will remain in a secure location and will not be used during breaks
- Students may not bring iPads to school that are 3G or 4G capable as this enables unrestricted internet access posing potential risk to the student and others
- Students may not use the iPad to record, transmit or post photos or movies of any person on campus without teacher permission

BYOD CHECKLIST

Please ensure you have checked the following:

- Information sheet read
- Your iPad is capable of running iOS 14.0 or later
- Parent permission form read and signed
- Required apps added
- Parent guide to iPad device settings followed
(see our Website - Our Learning - ICT/iPads)

**PARENT(S) RETAIN THE INFORMATION ON THESE PAGES
FOR FUTURE REFERENCE IF NECESSARY**

PLEASE RETURN TO HOMEBASE TEACHER.

BYOD iPad Agreement 2021

Student's name _____ Parent Name _____

We understand and will abide by the Waitākiri Primary School policy and guidelines. We further understand that any violation of the above will result in the loss of network and/or device privileges as well as other disciplinary action. We have read and discussed the guidelines and understand the responsibility of using the iPad in an appropriate and respectful manner. We understand the iPad must be set up with the required apps loaded as detailed below **before the iPad can be used at school.**

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Waitākiri School Apps

The apps below are required and are to be used with iOS14 or later. Other free apps may be asked for by teachers as and when needed. Apps for the child's personal use should be put into a 'Home' folder.

<i>Required apps for Yr 3-6</i>	<i>Price</i>	<i>Child check</i>	<i>Parent check</i>	<i>Teacher check</i>
iMovie	Free			
Keynote	Free			
Garageband	Free			
Pages	Free			
Scratch Jr	Free			
Tynker	Free			
Tayasui Sketches School	Free			
Clips	Free			
Pic Collage	Free			
Stop Motion Studio	Free			
Scan or QR Reader	Free			
FlipaClip	Free			
Google Docs	Free			
Google Drive	Free			
Google Slides	Free			
Google Chrome	Free			
Google Classroom * Year 5 & 6 only	Free			
Hero * Year 5 & 6 only	Free			
<i>Optional but recommended...</i>				
Popplet	\$4.99			
Pic Collage EDU	\$1.99			

Teacher approval: _____ / /2021