

## Bring your Own Device

The Bring Your Own Device programme is an important aspect of our vision, learning to learn, as it allows students to utilise the wealth of knowledge available on the internet and prepare our students for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The device is a critical piece of equipment that enables numerous possibilities to enhance student learning. It is required that the device is taken to each class, although whether or not a student can use an IT device in the classroom is up to the teacher.

Any device brought into school is the student's responsibility and the school is not liable for loss, damage, repair or maintenance, including charging. Students and their parents receive a Bring Your Own Device acceptable use agreement to sign at the start of the year. It is important to point out that we consider a device to be a tablet or laptop and not a mobile phone. Parents do not need to buy the latest or most expensive models. The minimum specifications at present are listed below and most devices purchased in the last few years will meet these:

1. Wireless capability (Wi-Fi)
2. Up to date web browser (such as Windows Explorer, Safari, Chrome, Firefox etc.)
3. Usual range of office type software (word-processing, spreadsheets, slide presentation)
4. Software to play video (Windows media player etc.)
5. Good battery life

[See Appendix 9 - Bring Your Own IT Device](#)

## Appendix 8: Bring Your Own Device

Parent/Guardian Copy

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#### Student/Parent Acceptable Use Agreement

The British International School of Jeddah is fully committed to creating the best possible learning environment for its students and staff. The Bring Your Own Device programme is an important aspect of our aims to harness the power of the Internet and further integrate 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies into teaching and learning. We also believe that allowing our students this opportunity will motivate them to take control of their learning and become lifelong learners.

To participate in the programme, both student and parent must read and sign this agreement and return it to the school. We further require that parents actively reinforce the norms of cyber safety and the expectations that we have of the child at home. Cyber safety is outlined in a separate document.

We understand and agree that:

1. Any device brought to school is the child's responsibility and the school is not liable for loss, damage, repair or maintenance (including software updates and installation)
2. The device must be taken home at the end of every day
3. The device will be brought to school fully charged each morning
4. The device is for individual use and sharing is at the student's discretion
5. Use of the device in class is solely at the discretion of the teacher and the student must promptly fully comply with the teacher's instructions concerning its use
6. The device may only be used for educational purposes during the school day
7. The device should not be used before school or during breaks
8. Students must ensure that their log-in details and passwords are kept secret, even from their closest friends.
9. Photographs, videos or recordings can only be made of members of school staff, students or parents with their express permission and that of a supervising teacher. This applies during the school day, planned school activities and travelling to and from home
10. The Saudi Arabian government filters Internet provision, as everywhere else in the Kingdom. However, it is still possible that children may be exposed to inappropriate content from time to time. Parents are expected to support and encourage their child's understanding of cyber-safety and responsibility
11. The device will not be used to search for, display, store, generate or transmit illegal, prohibited, rude or offensive material at any time, in school, travelling to and from school or at home
12. Cyber-bullying is a serious matter. Any use of the device to communicate hurtful, aggressive or abusive messages, in any form will not be tolerated, no matter how intended
13. If at any time a student breaks this agreement, they will lose the right to bring their device to school and may face further consequences

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Please sign your name in the space below to confirm that you accept this Bring Your Own Device agreement.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_