

BYOD LAPTOP PROGRAM FOR YR 7-12 STUDENTS

<https://cummins.orderportal.com.au>

All students from Year 7 to Year 12 are required to supply their own laptop for use at Cummins Area School.

We ask that *ALL* purchases of new laptops for school use, for all year levels, be made via the School Ordering Portal. This alleviates the current issue of the many varied devices being purchased which do not meet the required minimum specifications for use at school.

The online Order Portal provides families with a variety of suitable devices which meet the required specifications, including some accessories, insurance and finance options. The devices found on the portal have been chosen for their battery performance, durability of cases, network compatibility and based on recommendations from industry experts.

Other considerations when purchasing a device for your student:

- **Insurance:** check your home contents insurance to see if the device will be covered
- **Transport between home and school:** device should be carried in a sturdy protective bag away from food & water bottles
- **Charging:** Students must charge their device at home and bring it to school every day fully charged. (Personal power adapters are not to be used at school unless Tag Tested).
- Students have access to **Microsoft Office 365** via their School email account at no cost, providing access to Word, Excel, Powerpoint, One Drive etc. There is no need to purchase this software separately.
- Whilst enrolled at school, students are connected to the school provided internet and are protected by a significant Departmental filtering system that prevents access to many harmful or malicious sites. According to Cummins Area School ICT Acceptable Use Policy, students may use the internet only for learning related activities that are approved by a teacher.
- It is the responsibility of the student / parent / caregiver to setup the Home-Internet connection on the device.
- Students must perform 'Software Updates' on the device as they become available in order to install the latest virus definitions and security patches.
- Students will use OneDrive provided through Office 365 which safeguards work from being lost on a USB etc. Students are also strongly encouraged to backup necessary files in numerous locations, including via email where appropriate. Technology failure is not an approved circumstance for extensions at Cummins Area School.

**Device chosen must take into consideration the types of subjects the student is studying eg; Design related subjects may require an i7 (Senior High School students)*

***Please note; Apple devices are not recommended for use in our school environment as they are not compatible with our school network and will impact your child's ability to access school services such as printing. Apple devices will not be supported by the School IT Department.*

If you have any questions or concerns, including concerns about financial hardship please do not hesitate to contact the school on 8676 2388.

LWT PARENT OFFERINGS



BETTER DEVICES

We only sell education specific and commercial grade devices. Retail devices aren't built for school.



BETTER SERVICE

In LWT Service areas we can have devices repaired onsite in days, not weeks. Keeping your child up and running.



INSURANCE

Accidents at school are common. Our Accidental Damage Cover means that you can get devices fixed with minimum cost.



PAYMENT PLANS

We can offer 36 month payment plans from Latitude Finance approved online, or Laybuy options.