

## Buy Now, pay later?

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If parents/caregivers need to pay for a Chromebook over a period of time we recommend that you investigate normal retail channels such as Noel Leeming and Harvey Norman.

The school will have a small number of Chromebooks for students to borrow if needed.

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# Bring Your Own Device



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## What do we recommend

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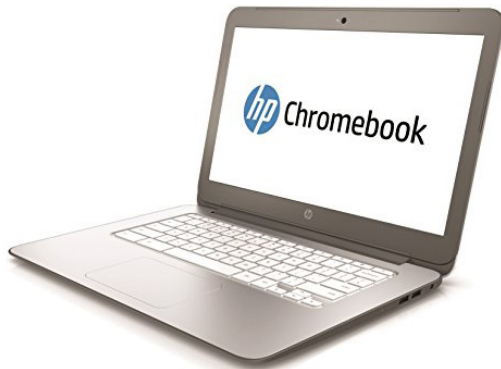
### Chromebooks

#### *Advantages*

- Screen sizes range from 11-14 inches
- Very long battery life (8-10 hours before needs recharging)
- Price point from \$380-\$600
- Light for the size
- Excellent to use with School Google applications
- Very fast start up time
- Fast troubleshooting problems with the device

#### *Disadvantages*

- Not as powerful as a laptop
- Unable to install windows software



## What other devices will work on our network

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### Laptops

#### *Advantages*

- Screen sizes range from 11-17 inches
- Able to run windows software

#### *Disadvantages*

- Shorter battery life (4-5 hours before needing recharging)
- Heavy to carry around all day
- Longer troubleshooting if problems occur
- Higher price point for an adequate laptop - \$1000+

### Android tablets and Windows tablets

#### *Advantages*

- Very light to carry around

#### *Disadvantages*

- Generally smaller screen sizes
- Wide range of different programmes and software, not unified
- Often lack full keyboard (depending on model)
- Longer troubleshooting if problems occur
- Easier for physical damage to occur

**We do NOT recommend Apple iPads and any brand of cell phones for BYOD usage.**

## What type of Chromebook is best

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The design and manufacture of a Chromebook is a personal choice. We recommend however that if you purchase a Chromebook, it should have at least the following specifications and a bag/sleeve to protect the device from physical damage.

- Intel Celeron Quad core processor
- 4 GB RAM / memory
- 16GB hard drive

### Where can you buy a Chromebook?

PB Technologies  
674B Te Rapa Rd, Hamilton  
Phone: 07-839-6518

JB Hi Fi  
308 Barton Street, Hamilton  
Phone: 07-959-8683

Heathcote Appliances  
Cnr Tristram & Thackeray Streets, Hamilton  
Phone: 07-839-5443

Harvey Norman  
10-16 The Boulevard  
Phone: 07-850-7300

Noel Leeming  
The Base, Te Rapa  
Phone: 0800-444-488



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