Swanbourne PRIMARY

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE



BYOD
(Bring Your Own Device)
iPad Initiative
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Swanbourne PS BYOD iPad Initiative

Swanbourne Primary School is committed to providing engaging, innovative learning opportunities that help students 'Strive for Excellence'.

Our Years 4–6 BYOD iPad program builds on students' digital learning achievements and supports continued improvement.

iPads have been selected for their durability, ease of use, accessibility features and range of educational applications.

How will this initiative make a difference?

Greater access to iPads helps students and teachers meet Digital Technologies curriculum requirements.

Our aim is reliable access to devices for inquiry-based learning and preparation for secondary school.

From 2018–2026, a combination of family-owned and school-owned iPads has supported a 1:1 device ratio in Years 4–6. Family participation helps maintain access across the school.

iPads are used purposefully to support learning, not replace traditional teaching methods. Students in the upper primary years typically spend no more than one hour per day using iPads, with teachers balancing digital activities, handwriting, reading and practical learning experiences.

Curriculum

Our Digital Technologies and STEM plan prioritises: Content creation, higher-order thinking, inquiry learning and global connections.

The Western Australian Curriculum integrates digital technologies across learning areas. BYOD supports consistent access to these tools.

As part of implementing the Western Australian Curriculum, schools are expected to:

- Teach social and ethical protocols and practices for using information and technology
- Ensure students conduct investigations using technology and inquiry practices
- Provide opportunities for students to be creative and innovative
- Teach students how to communicate ideas and present information using technology
- Teach students how to manage information and operate technology

Important points when considering the 2027 BYOD iPad initiative:

- Participation is voluntary. Where school devices are limited, students without their own iPad may need to share a device (2 students per iPad).
- Students who bring their own iPad will remain its primary user.
- Families can purchase eligible iPads at a discounted education price through the JB Hi-Fi portal.
- Families may also lease an iPad or use an existing device that meets the specifications.
- iPads support learning and engagement with the Digital Technologies curriculum.
- iPads complement, rather than replace, explicit teaching.
- Individual devices allow students to save, access and share their work.
- Students learn to use digital information safely and responsibly.
- Jamf Parent is a free app that lets parents manage permitted apps and device functions.
- See https://learn.jamf.com/en-US/bundle/jamf-parent-guide-for-parents/
- Students and parents must sign a Digital Technologies User Agreement.
- Students will learn to care for their devices.
- Families should consider insurance. The school is not responsible for damage to personal devices.
- Teachers receive support to integrate iPads effectively and meet Western Australian Curriculum requirements.

Improved access to digital devices through a BYOD program assists students and teachers with meeting the Digital Technologies Curriculum requirements by:

- Reducing delays when accessing devices.
- Allowing flexible, supervised online research.
- Supporting differentiated learning.
- Protecting students' work from accidental changes by others.
- Supporting individual device monitoring and security.

The BYOD iPad initiative is NOT:

- Replacing face-to-face teaching.
- Replacing handwriting, pen-and-paper learning or fine motor development.
- Replacing outdoor activities.
- Replacing teacher instruction with apps.

Apps and Security?

- School apps are managed through Jamf School (Mobile Device Management). Parents may request access to Jamf Parent for home use.
- Department of Education internet filtering and firewalls help monitor and protect online access.
- Teacher supervision, via Apple Classroom, to monitor iPad activity during lessons and student agreements support safe device use.
- Inappropriate use, including cyberbullying, accessing unauthorised content or disrupting learning, may result in disciplinary action.

How will iPads be secured at school?

- Students may not use iPads on school grounds before school, during recess or lunch, or after school.
- On arrival, students must store iPads in the classroom location designated by their teacher.
- Families may choose to leave their child's iPad at school, where it will be stored securely in a locked classroom. These devices will not be sent home without parent permission.

What if the device is damaged or lost?

The school takes reasonable steps to keep devices safe. The school is not responsible for loss of or damage to personal iPads. Families should check insurance cover for travel to and from school and use at school. AppleCare+ may provide additional warranty and support.

Who will be responsible for charging the iPads?

Students must charge personal iPads at home each night. School charging facilities are available for school-owned devices.

Which iPad models can be used?

Families may provide an existing iPad, provided it meets the school's minimum specifications and supports the required educational applications.
Devices must meet these minimum specifications:

- iPadOS 26
- 128 GB storage [256 GB recommended if purchasing new]
- Minimum screen size 9.7" (not an iPad Mini)
- A robust protective case (preferably with a non-Bluetooth inbuilt keyboard)

128 GB provides space for apps, photos, videos and student work.
A new iPad is expected to last approximately three years.

The 10th-generation iPad uses USB-C and has no 3.5 mm headphone jack; a USB-C headphone adapter may be needed.

Purchasing an iPad - Advice for Parents

Families may buy or lease from any retailer, provided the device meets the specifications. Bundles may include a case, keyboard and setup support.



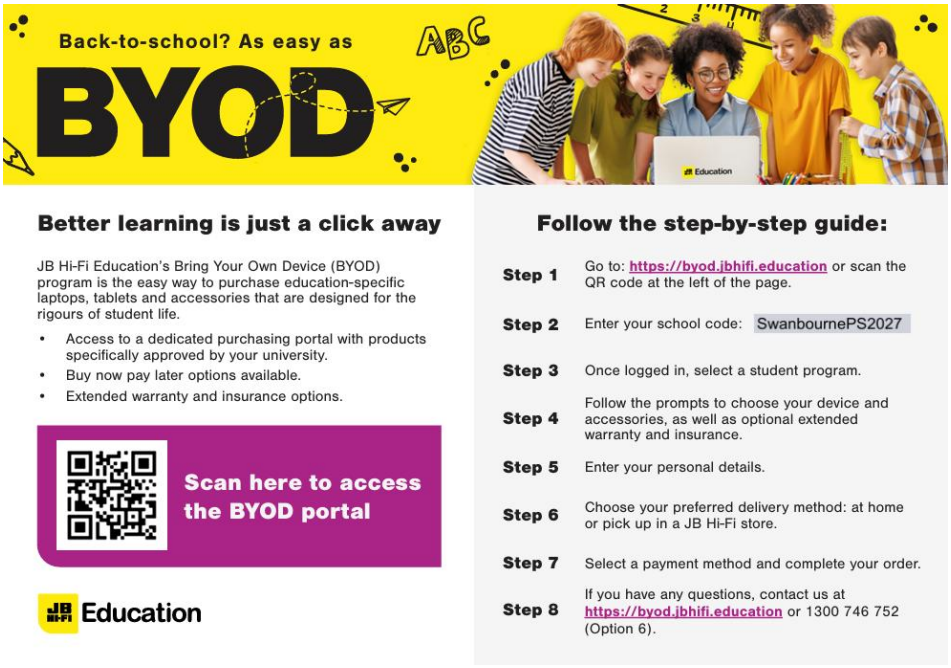


- Apple MD3Y4X/A iPad 11'/A16/128GB/Wi-Fi
- Logitech Rugged Folio Case for iPad A16/10th Gen (Oxford Grey)

JB Hi-Fi Purchasing Portal

The JB Hi-Fi Education portal offers eligible devices and accessories at discounted education prices. Access the portal at: Using the code: **SwanbournePS2027**

https://byod.jbhifi.education/



Learning tools for the future

BYOD supports engaging, interactive learning. Regular access to digital tools helps students create, evaluate and manage information responsibly. These skills prepare students for future learning and an increasingly digital world.

We look forward to developing students' digital capabilities.

Yours truly,

BYOD iPad Initiative Committee