



Dear Parent/Guardian,

In 2018 all new students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will purchase an **Android Tablet**, the Samsung Galaxy Tab A (7 inch or 10 inch WIFI ONLY) tablet as the College recommended model. This device will be used in classes throughout the College and is a recommended tool for student learning at Grovedale College. Below are two options for parents in purchasing a device for use in 2018. **iPad** devices **should not** be purchased for use in 2018 and students will not be able to use them at the College.

**1. Purchase the Samsung Galaxy Tab A 7 inch or Samsung Galaxy Tab A 10 inch independently - Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)- Recommended by the College**

- This option allows parents to purchase a Samsung Galaxy Tab A device from an independent retailer and the student will BYOD to the College in Term 1.
- This device **must not** have 3G or 4G capability.
- The College does not support manufacturing warranties and any device repairs are the responsibility of the parent. Full College network support will be provided
- **Samsung**- robust for school use. Choice magazine- best Android Tablet- twice
- Staff and technicians familiar with this device. Used at Grovedale College for 5 years.

**2. Purchase an Android Tablet -Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)- (Not iPad)**

- This option allows parents to purchase any **android** device (not iPad) from an independent retailer and the student will BYOD to the College in Term 1.
- This purchase device **must not** have 3G or 4G capability.
- The College does not support manufacturing warranties and any device repairs are the responsibility of the parent. Full College network support will be provided
- No APPLE products (iPad) will be accepted for use at the College
- In considering this option please take note that;
  - For many of the devices there is unknown performance quality in a school environment
  - Staff and technicians are not familiar with all devices available on the market.

If you have any, questions please contact Kylie Greenhalgh at the College 5245 4545.

Yours sincerely

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