



## PĀPĀMOA COLLEGE is BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)

All students are required to have a laptop or chromebook for learning at Pāpāmoa College.

**\*\*Please note that iPads and smartphones are not suitable.\*\***

### WHY?

**Technology, used effectively, transforms learning.**

**Having a device for learning means your child can...**

- **Access learning ANYWHERE, at ANY TIME, and in a way that allows all learners to reach their highest potential.**
- **Use content to become an expert alongside her teachers.**
- **Learn in real life and relevant ways with access to global context and support.**
- **Collaborate and work in teams.**
- **Take control of their own learning.**
- **Share their learning in a variety of authentic and meaningful ways.**



### CHALLENGES

We understand that there are a number of factors that may make getting a device for your learner challenging. As such, we want to support whānau in being able to ensure each student has a device. Pāpāmoa College has partnered with [PB Tech](#) and [Noel Leeming](#) to provide options for families/whānau. These stores offer different payment options and special pricing. [WINZ also offers support](#) for families/whānau to set students up for the school year. The Salvation Army has “The Good Loans” programme offering affordable loans for approved people on limited incomes. [Click here for more information](#) If you require further support in accessing a suitable device for your child, please don't hesitate to contact the school. Email [enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz)

### RECOMMENDED DEVICES

As a main device, a compact laptop (approximately 11” screen) or Chromebook will most likely be the best fit for our ākonga (students) e.g. (E.g. HP Pavillion, Acer Aspire, Toshiba Satellite, Apple MacBook/Air, Chromebook, SurfacePro). The screen is big enough to support production of multimedia material, but compact enough to be mobile.

The most important factors to consider when purchasing a device are:

- Wi-fi capable laptop or netbook less than 3 years old
- Battery Life: Needs to last 5-6 hours to be able to get through a school day without recharging.
- Weight: Should be light enough for your child to carry around all day.
- Keyboard: Devices must have a keyboard (tablets with on-screen keypads are not suitable).
- Wireless: Must be dual-band capable, and state that it has a/g/n or a/b/g/n
- RAM: Should be 2GB or more, to allow programmes to run effectively.
- CPU: Faster is usually better, but may also reduce battery life.
- Robustness: A device should be strong enough to survive a fall onto a hard surface.
- Insurance: While we take care to protect students' property, we cannot accept responsibility for devices lost or stolen, so make sure it is covered for these possibilities.

\* Please note that an iPad, Tablet or Smartphone are not appropriate as mobile operating systems lack the capability required. If you are not sure that your device meets these specifications or have any further questions about current devices that your child has, please contact the school to discuss further: [enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz](mailto:enquiries@papamoacollege.school.nz)