

Important IT Update

The Education Queensland preferred model for further integration of Information & Communication Technology (ICT) into the curriculum is Bring Your Own Device (BYOD).

This means that parents are responsible for the provision of personal laptops for their student to use.

Class sets of recycled laptops are being phased out as they become unserviceable and will not be replaced.

Mossman State High School has access to a free InTune connection portal to facilitate the connection of these personal devices to the school network. We would strongly recommend the following minimum specifications for general school use.

Mossman State High School provides:

	Filtered Internet	H Drive	G Drive	W Drive	Printers
Windows	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mac	✓	✓	✓	✓	X

Recommended Specifications:

- Minimum battery life of 6 hours to cover a school day. NB There will be no charging facilities at school.
- Computer with a minimum of 4GB RAM.
- Protective case.
- Separate mouse if required by student.
- Onsite warranty [Next Business Day (NBD) Onsite warranty is strongly recommended if possible].
- Accidental Damage Protection Insurance (ADP) preferably from the manufacturer, if done through a third party, check the repair timeframe, next business day if possible is recommended. - From our experience with school devices, we consider this essential.

Enrolment in subjects such as Photography, Film, TV & New Media, Graphics/Design and Digital Technologies, would require a higher specification machine as below to run the higher end software.

- i5/i7 processor
- 8GB RAM or more
- Dedicated graphics card
- 500GB Mechanical Hard Drive or 512GB SSD

In addition, connection to the network will only be possible for machines with a functioning antivirus program installed and a signed BYOD Agreement. There is no fee to connect a BYO device to the school network. Windows Defender is an acceptable functioning antivirus program that is freely available in Windows 10 and 11.

Microsoft Office is a free download to students from <https://www.microsoft.com/en-au/education/products/office>

If you require any further information about this program, please feel free to contact Thomas Vinter at the school on 07 4084 1333 or email info@mossmanshs.eq.edu.au

