



BYOT POLICY

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Preface

At Novoschool, we recognise the value of diverse technologies in supporting learning. Our Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) policy allows students to use a variety of personal technological tools to enhance their educational experiences within our Project-Based Learning (PBL) framework. This policy is applicable only to students.

1. Permitted Technology

Students are to bring a laptop to support their learning. Devices must meet the minimum functionality and compatibility requirements set by Novoschool. Technology brought to school should be appropriate for educational purposes and support PBL activities.

2. Device Specifications

Devices must have sufficient battery life to last the school day. They should be compatible with Novoschool's learning platforms and software (online, cloud based applications, such as Google Classroom). Devices should have updated antivirus protection if applicable.

3. Student Responsibilities

Bring fully charged technology to school daily.
Use devices responsibly and only for educational purposes during school hours.
Maintain personal ownership and care of their devices.
Avoid storing or displaying inappropriate content on devices.

4. Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Ensure that the technology brought to school meets Novoschool's requirements.
Support students in understanding and adhering to the BYOT policy.
Provide optional insurance for damage, theft, or loss. This is strongly recommended.

5. Acceptable Use

Students must:

- Use (when directed) technology to enhance learning, particularly for PBL projects and collaborative activities.
- Follow teacher guidelines for when and how technology may be used during class.
- Access only school-approved platforms, resources, and materials.



6. Unacceptable Use

Students must not:

- Use technology for non-educational purposes during school hours without teacher approval.
- Record, photograph, or video others without their explicit consent.
- Use technology to access inappropriate, offensive, or non-educational content.
- Interfere with the school's network, systems, or technology.
- Engage in online bullying, harassment, or any unethical behaviour.

7. Security and Privacy

- Students are solely responsible for the security, care, and maintenance of their devices.
- Novoschool will not be liable for lost, stolen, or damaged devices.
- Students must respect the privacy of others and ensure ethical use of technology.

8. Consequences for Misuse

Failure to adhere to this policy may result in:

- Temporary confiscation of technology.
- Restricted access to school networks and resources.
- Disciplinary action in accordance with Novoschool's behaviour management policies.