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Year 5/6 BYOD Program

St Benedict's School continually seeks to develop opportunities for students to develop as highly engaged and independent learners who can flourish in today's world. As you would know, Year 4 students have completed their digital licence in preparation for their transition into Year 5 where the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program exists. Students will be asked to bring a mobile technology device to school each day, to use as a tool in their learning.

Over the next two weeks we will be holding information sessions for parents and their child/ren regarding the BYOD program. Year 5 students will not be using their devices in class until after a parent/carer has attended this session. These sessions will be held on:

- Thursday 13th February at 4:15pm in 5/6 classrooms
- Tuesday 18th February at 8:20am in the 5/6 classrooms

In preparation for these sessions we do ask that Year 5 students bring their device to school on Thursday 13th so that we can get them set up on the system.

In addition to this, all students at St Benedict's need to have completed and returned their ICT User Agreements before any form of ICT is used. At the information session we will discuss the practical implications for the program, including the role of students, teachers, school and families in a BYOD teaching & learning environment. It will also provide parents with the opportunity to hear and participate in the vision for teaching and learning in the upper years of the school.

Last year you received the BYOD Handbook. It outlines requirements for any device bought to school. Please remember that we are open to a number of devices and <u>new devices are not required</u>.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Kind regards, Alana Quirk, Amanda Basedow and Emma Donaghue

Year 5/6 Teachers

