

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE 2025 –2026



BYOD (Bring your Own Device) refers to students bringing a personally owned device to school for the purpose of learning. In 2026 it will be compulsory for all students follow this model. Karratha SHS recognises the need to prepare students for a rapidly changing world where technology plays an increasing role in students' everyday lives.

What devices can students bring to school?

Students can bring laptops to school that meet the following specifications:

Windows based laptops running Windows 11 or Windows 11 pro as Windows 10 ended support on Oct 2025

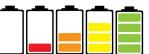


USB capability



Battery life – Devices must last at least 10 hours without charge.

There will be no facilities to charge the device at school



Wireless connectivity – Devices must support 5GhZ dual band, 802.11 a/b/g/n wireless



Minimum of 256 GB storage and 16GB RAM

Screen size – must be at least 10 diagonal inches



Software & Applications

Laptops must have installed:

- Windows 11 Operating Software
- Web Browser Chrome, Firefox, Edge
- Microsoft Office free download through KSHS website
- Active, up to date antivirus software

General Information

Parents may choose to purchase a device from any source however only devices with the specifications outlined will be able to be used in the school.

Student & Family Responsibility

- Sign the BYOD Student Agreement before bringing their device to school
- Ensure their device is safe and secure at all times
- Are responsible for lost, damaged or stolen device

Misuse of Laptop During School Hours

Internet access on the device will be filtered at school and students will be prohibited from connecting to other networks while at school. Students will comply with the Department of Education (DoE) and school policies concerning the use of BYODs at school and while connected to the DoE network.

Technical Support

KSHS staff are under no obligation to provide any technical support on either hardware or software. Long-term care and support of BYODs

- Students are solely responsible for repair and maintenance of their own device. It is not the school's responsibility.
- Warranties: Students should understand the limitations of the manufacturer's warranty on their BYOD, both in duration and in coverage. Under Australian consumer legislation, warranties usually last for one year. During this period any manufacturing defects will be repaired or the device will be replaced (as per the specific terms and conditions of the manufacturer).
- Extended warranties: At the time of purchase, students may also purchase an optional extended warranty (past the standard warranty period) from the supplier/manufacturer

Insurance

Students are responsible for the care of the device while at school as it is their property. We suggest parents check with their insurance companies to confirm their level of cover. While some contents insurance packages automatically include devices away from home, others require additional cover. Devices are not covered under KSHS insurance.

For further information, please contact Karratha Senior High School on 9182 6900.