

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

Vision

The New Zealand curriculum (NZC) vision is for "confident, connected, actively involved, lifelong learners". Our students are growing up in an ever changing world where digital devices are widely used for communication and learning both inside and outside of school.

All Students are expected to have a digital device of their own to use in the classroom.



HGHS ONLINE ENVIRONMENT

Schoology – is our Learning Management System used to support and enhance students learning experiences.

Google Apps for Education (GAFE) Students are provided with school google accounts giving them access to many useful educational tools and apps.

HGHS Website

- provides important dates,
- links and information, such as student notices.
- upcoming events, parent portal access and more.

Parent portal – students and parents have access to attendance, reports, year planner, fees, school notices, academic results and more.

HGHS INFRASTRUCTURE

N4L - Network for Learning

Fully wireless campus with a controlled environment

Connection to UFB (ultra fast broadband)

Gigabit connection to classrooms

Data projectors in all classrooms

Full time on-site technical support available to students Tuesday and Thursdays during Interval in the Library.

BYOD AT HAMILTON GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

At Hamilton Girls' High School our eVision is for students to be confident, responsible digital citizens who are collaborative, critical thinkers, able to construct knowledge.

In order to do this we aim to provide students with the skills, knowledge, confidence and guidance to be an effective, ethical and safe user of ICT.

THE ADVANTAGES OF BYOD

A student-owned device allows students anytime, anywhere access to Educational resources and important information in our school environment.

Students can:

- Access schemes, resources, tasks and groups via schoology.
- Create digital folders that they have ready access to (no more lost books).
- Access their personal school google account to create, manage and learn.
- Collaborate and communicate with teachers and classmates.
- Work independently on personalised programmes; and access lessons in some instances.
- Become active partners in their learning.

HGHS eLearning Snapshots:

"I like using Schoology because I can access all my lessons from home when I am away on sports trips." - Hylan

"Schoology allows me to work at my own pace and return to lessons that I need to review." - Yashna

"Google Calendar is perfect for organising my revision and study plan; especially for my Internal Assessments."

- Litara



BUYING THE RIGHT DEVICE:

Recommended devices

- Chromebooks
 - HP Chromebook
 - Acer Chromebook
 - Lenovo Chromebook
- Notebooks (that meet the considerations below)

PB Tech are providing HGHS with very competitive prices.

Considerations:

- Phones are not acceptable devices.
- Minimum screen size of 10".
- Weight: needs to be manageable for your daughter to carry all day.
- RAM: minimum 2GB (prefer 4GB)
- Robustness: it should be durable, protective carry case.
- Insurance: we can't accept responsibility for devices which are lost, stolen or damaged.
- Warranty: usually one year but recommend extending to 2-3 years. See PB Tech for extended warranties.
- Anti-virus software: this is essential to protect the data on the device and to prevent the spreading of malware.