

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Device Specifications 2016



Purchasing information-Amaroo School BYOD program

The recommended device for use at Amaroo School is a Chromebook. Chromebooks are inexpensive yet fast, light weight and the most secure device best suited to a school environment. Despite some limitations, Chromebooks meet all the 21st Century learning needs of students at Amaroo School. After testing and user experience observation in the senior school, Chromebooks are proving to be significantly more efficient than any other device. Chromebooks are also:

- The optimal device for the Google Apps teaching and learning platform used here at Amaroo School, and in the wider directorate. They take approx.10 seconds to log onto the system, and have a battery life well over 10 hours
- The device we are best able to provide technical support for, both in terms of our Student Tech support team and other avenues
- Devices that do not 'stand out' (as this is what the majority of our students in Senior school use) and so are much less likely to be stolen
- Supported by 'occasional use' recharging facilities at the school. It is Directorate policy that chargers that have not been tagged and tested by the school **cannot be used** at the school.
- Extremely secure, and generally virus/malware free

Online purchasing has proven to be an excellent source for Amaroo School. Please note that Educational Chromebook models are only available online. The models marked in red in "[Chromebook device specifications](#)" are educational models. They are more durable and have more battery life than the non-educational versions.

This information has been supplied to assist parent and carers in purchasing decisions for their children. Amaroo School does not recommend any purchasing method or supplier in preference to another.

Should your child be bringing another device to school, please make sure you contact Ian Thomson (ICT co-ordinator) on ian.thomson@ed.act.edu.au or Tiffany Mahon on Tiffany.Mahon@ed.act.edu.au to discuss the suitability of that device.