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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

BYOD Update

As a reminder, from 2021 we ask that all year 5 and 6 students supply their own chromebook (BYOD). We also encourage year 7 and 8 families to consider if they can also be part of the BYOD initiative.

By now, a majority of the questions raised about BYOD and digital learning have been answered in our 3 updates. The few remaining predominantly relate to the choice of device and how we can support our school whanau who may find the financial outlay difficult. If you are concerned about being able to provide a device for your child, please talk with either Mel or Liz in confidence and we will work through options. Every child will have access to a device.

Parent Meeting

Tuesday 24th November, in Rimu

6:30 PB Tech will be on hand to show you some recommended devices and discuss payment and warranty options available through their company.

7:00 Community discussion with Board and senior staff.

PB Tech

We have partnered with PB Tech who have put together some recommendations for devices. These can be seen via [this link](#). Use the code 'ClydeBYOD' for a discount.

Or go to the PB Tech website, www.pbtech.co.nz. Click on BYOD, then type in Clyde Quay in the school search bar to find our page.

On our page you will see 4 recommended devices, as well as some choices for carry cases and headphones if required. Their warranty and payment plan details are also there.

You are welcome to purchase any chromebook you wish, from any retailer you wish.

Sponsorship and Donations

To help families who may find the purchase of a device difficult, we are offering the opportunity for our school community to help, by either providing a monetary donation towards the purchase of a device, or by sponsoring a device.

For sponsorship: Whanau are asked to choose the device and warranty options they wish to sponsor, then give the money to the school who will make the purchase. This process ensures that the warranty etc remains with the school. The device will be given to a child in need to use as their own for their time at CQS. When they leave the school, the device will be returned, and can then be used by another child.

Donations: Similarly donations can be given to the school. When the necessary amount for a device is reached, we will purchase one and can then lend it out.

Ngā mihi,
Mel Sutton