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## Year 5 & 6 BYOD iPad Program

**2020**

We have now been running our Year 5 and 6 BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) iPad Program for 6 years, with great success. We have found the iPad to be an extremely portable and powerful teaching and learning tool. It can be transported to and from school in a backpack and stored easily without taking up much classroom space. The iPad has excellent technical specifications such as: a battery life that will last a whole day of use, a fast and smooth operating system, built in camera, bluetooth, speakers, microphone, wireless and much more.

The students and teachers enjoy integrating Digital Technologies into the curriculum using the iPad and we continue to see students develop in their digital literacy. The iPad program has been extremely successful with all Year 5 and 6 students having access to an iPad. The iPad is being used for class collaboration, word processing, programming games and robotics, presentations, movie editing, photography, music creation and much more.

In setting up our iPad Program we looked at many different ways of supplying and integrating iPads into our students learning experience. The program model we chose was BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) for our Year 5 and 6 students. Some of the advantages of BYOD being that it allows for parents to choose which iPad model is best for their child, BYOD allows for students to use a previously owned iPad and the iPad can be taken home and used as a personal device when not at school.

Our current Year 5s will continue to bring their iPads into Year 6 in 2020 and we would like to invite the current Year 4 parents to provide their Year 5 students in 2020 with an iPad to use at school, ready for week 1. The Year 5 and 6 iPad program will continue as a “bring your own device” (BYOD) program. BYOD program consists of students supplying their own device, maintaining it, updating it and looking after it.

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 in 2020 there will be an expectation to provide an iPad for your student to use at school to enrich their learning experiences. If you are in financial hardship please contact our Bursar, Dean Huntley to discuss your options.

Please take some time to read through the following documentation to help you understand the Year 5 and 6 iPad Program.

*You may still have questions which can be answered at our iPad information session on **Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 6:30pm, Term 4 Week 5.***

Thank you for your continued support

**BCS ICT Department**



# Year 5 & 6 BYOD iPad Program - Information

## Preparing for the iPad Program

Students will need to come prepared with an iPad in a suitable case, charged and ready to go in Week 1. We are aware that a percentage of students already own an iPad and we would ask you to send the iPad with your student under Bethany's iPad Policies and Agreements to be used in this Program. If your child doesn't own an iPad we would ask you to purchase one for your child, the iPad will be used for Year 5 and 6 at Bethany Christian School. We have partnered with The School Locker to give you the best possible pricing options.

## iPad Minimum Specs

Any iPad from iPad Air & iPad mini 3 – current models will be suitable for use at school.

### Preferred models would be:

- iPad Air 2 or newer (older models may not be able to run the latest apps)
- iPad mini 4
- 32GB minimum size, 64GB and above is recommended
- 4G sim cards cannot be inserted at school

We are working with a commercial partner to provide cheaper prices for student iPads, we will email out a link once the deal has been arranged.



**We do not recommend purchasing second hand iPads as you do not know how they have been looked after.**

## iTunes and iCloud

**iTunes** (one account per house hold used to set up family sharing)

- Purchase music
- Purchase apps
- iTunes cards can be purchased on sale from time to time at Big W, JB HIFI and other retailers.

**iCloud** (one account per individual – set up with family share)

- Stores information in cloud storage
- Backs up iPad information
- Provides free email address
- First 5 GB of storage is free



# Year 5 and 6 iPad Program – iPad setup

## Step 1

### Purchase an iPad device

Big W, Target, JB HIFI, Apple Education Store online <https://www.bethany.sa.edu.au/for-parents/ipad-program>

## Step 2

### Make sure the iPad is protected

- Most iPads get broken when not in a case or if the case is not protective.
- Screen protector – Prevents screen from being scratched.
- Cover/case/sleeve – Protect the iPad from bumps and being transported in backpack. (At school we use the Griffin Survivor Case – super heavy duty!)

## Step 3

### Create a parent/adult iTunes account (only if you don't already have one already)

This will be used for family sharing. You can use a household email to create your iTunes account. i.e. [ajones@gmail.com](mailto:ajones@gmail.com)

- When you start your iPad up for the first time it will prompt you to create an apple ID.
- Follow prompts and insert the iTunes card number you previously purchased if you prefer not to use credit card.
- This is the iTunes account that you buy apps, music, video etc with.
- You can use this account to give permission for children to buy apps and iTunes content through family sharing.

## Step 4

### Set up Family Share apple ID for your child

- Follow the instructions to set up family share on the apple website.
  - <https://support.apple.com/en-au/HT201088>
- Use this Apple ID created for your child when setting up their iPad.
- This will be your child's iCloud account, where your child's data will be stored and backed up if you want. Apple offer 5GB free storage. (If you use your own account your child will have access to your photos, contacts, documents etc.)
- You will have control over what apps your child is trying to download, it will send you a message to approve any purchases.

## Step 5

### Clearly label your child's iPad

- Make sure your student's iPad is labeled, many students will have the same type and colour cases.

## Step 7

- Please read the Parent iPad Agreement and Policy and sign BYOD section in your students 2020 Diary
- Have your student read the Student iPad Agreement and Policy and sign the BYOD section in their 2020 Diary



## Year 5 and 6 iPad Program – Questions and Answers

### What Apps do I need to buy for my child's iPad?

The school will load any apps your child needs via a Mobile Device Management System.

### Do I have to buy my student an iPad?

At Bethany we have incorporated the use of technology as an important part of your child's education. We are asking you to make this commitment for your student's education and learning. If this will cause genuine hardship, please contact Mr Dean Huntley, Bursar, Bethany Christian School.

### My student has a 4G/ Cellular iPad can they use it at school?

If your student has a 4G/Cellular iPad it must not come to school with a sim card inserted. We have no control over the internet content provided using 4G/Cellular sim cards. For your child's safety we provide completely filtered internet using a firewall in our WIFI network. If a child has a sim card in their iPad at school it will be removed by the school and a parent/caregiver will need to come and collect it.

### Where can I get insurance for my students iPad?

It may be best to speak with your household insurance company and see what cover is available for a student device. Unfortunately, the school's insurance cannot cover students individual iPads.

### What if my student already owns another tablet device?

We have chosen the iPad as a school wide tablet device. After trialing other devices in our pilot program we are only permitting iPad's to be used in the classroom. It is easier for our teachers to be proficient at using one device and it provides consistency with software and hardware troubleshooting across the school.

If you still have questions you are invited to attend:

### Year 5 & 6 BYOD iPad Information Session

**in the Function Room**

**Tuesday Term 4 - Week 5**

**12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 6:30pm**

