

For Junior School, we need your student to bring one of the following devices:

## OPTION 1

### iPad Minimum Specification

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This is the minimum requirements that will support NAPLAN online

- iPad 5
- 16GB Storage (if you have already purchased)
- 32GB Storage is now the minimum available to purchase new
- \*Highly recommend purchasing a compatible keyboard, stylus, mouse & protective cover

## OPTION 2

### iPad Recommended Specification

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It is recommended that you purchase as much storage as you can afford

- iPad 5
- 32GB Storage minimum and option of 128GB
- \*Recommend purchasing a compatible keyboard, stylus, mouse & protective cover

## OPTION 3

### iPad Performance Specification

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It is recommended that you purchase as much storage as you can afford

- iPad Pro
- 64GB, options of 256GB & 512GB available
- Smart Keyboard, Apple Pencil and protective cover highly recommended

**Please note: we do not recommend iPad mini as they are not compatible to NAPLAN online and will not serve to efficiently deliver curriculum requirements from 2018 and beyond.**

We have created an IT portal which will enable you to purchase discounted products from multiple retailers. To take advantage of these discounts, visit the link below -

<https://southportshs.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Computersandtechnology/Pages/I.T-Purchasing-Links.aspx>

*Alternatively, you can purchase computers at any retailer of your choice, using our IT Technology Requirements guide.*

## Recommended Extras:

- A **detachable keyboard** – perhaps incorporated into the protective cover
- If they are creative and like drawing, consider adding a **stylus** or smart pen touch device
- **Protective cover** – It is recommended that you purchase a protective cover as iPads may end up with a broken screen or other significant damage. A protective cover can significantly reduce the risk of this occurring
- **Extended warranty** - Some retailers will offer their own branded cover for this. Apple also offers an extended 1 year warranty. For information on Apple Care's product warranty go to <http://apple.com/au/support/products/ipad.html>
- Ask questions of the retailer about where, when and how long it takes to have a device fixed under their extended warranty offer. All Apple warranty repairs can be arranged via an authorised Apple service agent. See our website for details. Click on the "[Apple service agents](#)" link on the iPads page
- **Accidental damage protection** (ADP) insurance - Ask for this at the time of purchase. If you're considering getting an iPad with the cellular data option keep in mind that it will cost more and give your child unfiltered access to the entire internet. This can act as a major distraction and source of grief if used while your student is at school and he/she accesses sites normally filtered out by the school filtering system. We recommend against getting an iPad with the cellular data option

## Technology agreement

In addition to the above, all students and their parent/guardian must read, sign and return the current Technology Agreement available from the IT Service Centre in E07 (ground floor E block), or from our website.

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**For Senior School, we need your student to bring one of the following devices:**

### OPTION 1

#### Laptop Minimum Specification

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This level will suit most students; however there are two other levels of specification depending on your child's subject choices.

- *Laptop with Windows 8 or above – new Windows laptops come with Windows 10 (the recommended operating system) OR  
Apple MacBook laptop running OS 10.9 or newer and the latest version of Java*
- *Plus a minimum of 4GB RAM*
- *Plus wireless **5GHZ** networking (Wi-Fi) 802.11 AC recommended*

### OPTION 2

#### Laptop Ideal Specification

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This level is suited to students who are pursuing a study pathway including **Physics** and/or **ITS/IPT**:

- *i5 micro-processor or better*
- *Plus a minimum of 8GB RAM*
- *802.11 **5GHZ** minimum 802.11 AC recommended*

### OPTION 3

#### Laptop Super User Specification

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This level is suited to students who are pursuing a study pathway involving one or more of the following:

- **Graphics & Design, Technology Studies, Industrial Technology Studies**
- **Film and TV, Creative Arts subjects** that use Adobe or Final Cut Pro software
- *i7 micro-processor*
- *16GB RAM*
- *Graphics card with a minimum of 2GB dedicated RAM*
- *802.11 **5GHZ** minimum 802.11 AC recommended*

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#### **Recommended features/extras:**

- **Lightweight device and long battery life** of 6+ hours to cover the whole school day
- **Mouse or Stylus**, especially with touch-screen devices
- **Protective case**. Laptops may end up with a broken screen. A case can significantly reduce the risk of this occurring
- **Accidental damage protection** (ADP) insurance preferably from the manufacturer. Ask for this at the time of purchase

#### **For all laptops, the following software will need to be installed:**

- **Microsoft Office** (Word, Excel and PowerPoint) which students can get for free. Search our website with the keywords "free office". **Do not pay** for Microsoft Office
- Windows Defender (WD) **OR** an active and current anti-virus package. There are free ones such as Microsoft Security Essentials, AVG and AVAST
- Please note, if you purchase an Apple laptop, you may have software incompatibility issues for some subjects, and may be required to purchase extra software for these subjects  
**Norton Security with Backup is available for \$9.99 per year subscription fee (or \$29.99 for 3 years) by visiting this website and selecting the "Student" link: <https://phoenix.symantec.com/DETE/index.php?sel=about>**

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