### St Killian's College Garron Tower



# **BYOD Policy**

#### **Mission Statement**

"St Killian's is a Catholic College which strives to achieve excellence for all, within a happy, supportive and stimulating learning community."

**Date Reviewed** 

26 August 2020 - Covid 19 Update

#### St Killian's College BYOD Policy

St Killian's College recognises that information and communication technology (ICT) is an integral and vital part of education in today's modern world. To facilitate this, St Killian's College permits **Key Stage 4** and 5 students (only) to bring their own devices (BYOD) to school for the purpose of enhancing learning. Permitted devices are laptops, iPads and tablets. Access to St Killian's College network and systems is a privilege and not a right. All usage of all ICT facilities and access entails personal responsibility and compliance with all St Killian's policies, rules and directions from staff.

Devices brought into school are compulsorily subject to diagnostic and security testing to ensure that technologically and content-wise they comply with the school's regulations. The College is not responsible for data on devices brought into school but reserves the right to view data on such devices and where necessary take appropriate action and impose appropriate sanctions. By bringing devices to school students are agreeing that the College can confiscate and view devices, including their content, to conduct investigations regarding inappropriate or improper use. C2K security software, Securus, remains in place to monitor the College ICT Network and alerts staff to inappropriate and harmful content.

All devices and the content therein must comply with all the school's policies and in particular those related to Child Protection and Safe Guarding, E-Safety, Internet, Photos, Images and Video, Social

Networking, Anti-bullying, Positive Behaviour, Relationships and Sexuality and Pastoral Care.

Students bringing their own devices to school will have limited but sufficient access to the school's ICT systems.

The use of personal devices in school is at the discretion of teachers and staff. Devices must be used in specified locations and for the purposes of educational advancement to enhance learning as directed by the school's teaching staff. Devices can only be used in the classroom, Senior Study and Library.

Using devices for social communication purposes or as a telephone is not permitted. Students wishing to contact parents must do so, with the permission of a teacher, from reception. Personal devices must be an additional benefit to learning advancement and not a distraction to students or staff. Any inappropriate or unwarranted disruption will result in the confiscation of device(s) and students' receiving sanctions in accordance with supporting policies.

Personal devices must be used in accordance and with adherence to the school's Acceptable Use of the Internet Policy. Any attempt to circumvent the school's network security and/or filtering policies, including setting up proxies and downloading programs to bypass security, will result in the confiscation of equipment and the full implementation of the school's supporting policies including the Positive Behaviour, Child Protection and Safe Guarding, Anti-Bullying Policies, E-Safety and Mobile Phone.

Devices are not to be used to take photos, videos or sound recordings of students, teachers and staff. Personal devices are not to be used outside of designated times and locations.

Students bring their devices to use at St Killian's College at their own risk. Students are expected to exercise technological responsibility by maintaining their own device(s), keeping them up-to-date and having the latest versions of security and protection software installed. Students must ensure that their devices are security locked at all times when not in use and must not share their devices with other students.

The College is not responsible for compatibility issues across its own system and students' own devices or students' data and/or hardware. The school accepts no liability for breakage (hardware and software), damage or loss of students' own devices.

\* Distribution includes emailing/texting, posting, attaching etc

## We have read and understood **St Killian's College BYOD Policy**.

We have read, understood and discussed the procedures pertaining to bringing own devices to school and will abide by the procedures.

I understand that if I do not abide by these procedures the device may be confiscated and parents will be asked to collect the device from the College as is the case with mobile phones.

#### Responsibility for devices brought to school:

Students who bring their own devices to school for the purpose of completing work in class or independent study do so at their own risk. The college accepts no responsibility whatsoever for theft, loss, damage or health effects (potential or actual) relating to the use of these devices.

Name of student:	
Student signature:	Date:
Parent Name and Signature:	