



# *OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PRIMARY*

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Dear Parents,

Next term we will implement our BYOD program. As mentioned, the program supports our use of technology in enhancing learning in Stage 3. The emphasis on locating, organising and presenting information has increased significantly over the past decade and it is important to consider the changing nature teaching and learning.

The students in Stage 3 will be using their devices in all Key Learning Areas. The Google platform will allow them to share documents with teachers and other students and they will be able to access their work both at school and at home.

ipads and Macbooks have been selected as they are easily accessed by our network; they are flexible and the school carries licences for apps to be used in the classroom. Many children already have ipad and our local Catholic High Schools require Macbooks as part of their BYOD programs. We have been advised recently that ipad Minis are not suitable for long-term use as they can cause eyesight strain.

Attached is an agreement for teachers, parents and students. It is a statement of understanding that establishes the responsibilities of each student as well as parents and teachers. Please complete the agreement and return it to school so a copy can be made. If you have any questions regarding the program please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself.

Once again I appreciate your support and look forward to watching our students rise to the challenge of working technology over the course of Stage 3.

Yours Faithfully

Michael Hopley  
Principal