# DE LA SALLE COLLEGE BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)

### Information for Parents

De La Salle College has a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Policy to enhance students' learning experiences. To support daily educational activities and resources, all students are required to bring a personal device to school.

#### **Device Requirements**

To ensure compatibility with our digital learning platforms, we recommend a laptop or Chromebook with the following minimum specifications:

• Screen Size: 11 inches

RAM: 8GB

• Storage: 128GB Hard Drive

• Wi-Fi: 802.11n

• Battery Life: At least 6 hours

Operating System: Microsoft Windows 10
Protection: A carry bag to safeguard the device

# **Software Support**

Each student will receive a Microsoft Office 365 license, giving them access to a suite of Microsoft Office products, a school email address, and 1TB of online storage. This will allow students to access learning resources both at school and from home. For subjects like Art Design, Computer Science and Technology, which require specialist software, the school provides access to labs and licenses for applications such as Adobe Creative Cloud and Grok Learning Platforms.

# **BYOD Policy & Online Safety**

The use of personal devices on the school network is governed by our BYOD Agreement Policy. Parents and students must sign this agreement before accessing the school's Wi-Fi. The policy is available on the school's website.

We also encourage all parents to explore NetSafe's Online Parent Safety Toolkit for valuable resources on keeping students safe online: NetSafe Online Parent Safety Toolkit.

Links are provided to read the Toolkit in Te Reo, Samoan, Tongan and Chinese languages.

Our network is protected by Network for Learning (N4L), which ensures a secure browsing environment. Note that VPN software is not permitted, and device use in classrooms is subject to the discretion of the teacher.

#### **PB Tech Portal**

We have partnered with PB Tech to provide a dedicated BYOD portal featuring recommended laptops and devices. For more information, visit: PB Tech BYOD Portal. This link is also available on the school's website homepage.

# **Device Registration**

To register your son's device, please obtain a registration form from the School's IT Technician or the School Office.

#### **Further Information and Advice**

Contact your son's Homeroom Teacher or the School Office for further information and advice regarding BYOD.

