

Ensuring BYOD Devices are 'Learning Ready' at our School

Our school uses <u>Linewize's</u> Connect software to ensure devices are used effectively while at school to support students' academic success. This includes BYOD devices.

Linewize ensures the following:

- Teachers are able to guide students more effectively during lessons, including managing access to the internet and/or device applications and focusing students to specific internet resources in alignment with lesson objectives.
- Consistent visibility of students' screens during lessons across the entire desktop, including all applications and browsers used.
- Deeper visibility of student behaviours on BYOD devices while on the school network.
- Compliance on BYOD devices in order to ensure the above.
- Student privacy is taken seriously. Learn more.

Important notes:

- The school will not be using the Connect software to monitor or filter BYOD devices outside of school hours

 or off the school network at any time. This is a setting the school chooses to apply ie. Connect software is active on the school network only.
 Off-network, the software will not monitor or filter the device.
- Be reassured that all learning devices (BYOD and school-owned) are monitored and visible to staff to ensure the school can meet its duty of care and deliver the best learning outcomes for students during school hours and on the school network ONLY.
- Mobile phones will not be supported by any school infrastructure. That is, students will not be able to access the internet via the school network on their mobile device or any device other than their primary learning BYOD device, or a school supplied device.

To achieve the above, **from Term 2, 2024**, every BYOD device will be required to have Linewize's **Connect** software running while on the school network.

Ensuring installation of Connect on BYOD Devices:

In order to ensure that every student BYOD device that connects to the school network has **Connect** installed and running, we are implementing Linewize's **Walled Garden** on the school's BYOD network.

Walled Garden checks if Linewize Connect is running on the BYOD device when the device attempts to access the school's network. If Connect is not running on the device, students cannot access the network except to download and install Connect so they can then access the internet. Once Connect is running on the BYOD device, it will be able to access the school's physical network and the internet.

Mobile phones and the Walled Garden:

As aforementioned, students' mobile phones, or any other devices other than their BYOD primary learning device or a school-managed device will not be able to connect to the internet via the school network because there is no Connect software for iOS or Android that can get through the Walled Garden.

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