



Northmead

Creative and Performing Arts High School

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Digital Learning Program

Dear Parent / Guardian

Access to technology is vital in a future-focused learning environment to move our education system into a 21st century model of teaching and learning. Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School values these rich learning experiences and recognises the importance that students be equipped with the tools of 21st century learning. By facilitating our Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School **Digital Learning Program** it empowers students and gives them direct involvement in the way they use technology for learning.

Our **Digital Learning Program** allows students to use their own device within the classroom and at home for educational purposes. Using this technology provides students with the opportunity to research, work collaboratively and share information and ideas using tools such as G Suite which are apps developed specifically for education.

Parents are required to purchase a device for their child's use with this program. Our school's partner JB Hi-Fi Education Solutions provide our parents and caregivers with device purchasing opportunities for our Digital Learning Program. The benefit of purchasing through JB Hi-Fi is the provision of repairs being completed on school premises providing a quick and easy turn around through their onsite warranty for the first 12 months and also finance options.

JB Hi-Fi's Chromebook package includes the Lenovo 300E for \$458.00 and the Lenovo 500E for \$568.00. This year we have also added a Windows device which is the Lenovo 11E at a cost of \$755. JbHiFi offer 12 months interest free through humm90.

On the JB HI-FI site there is also the opportunity to purchase accessories such as bags, Accidental Damage Insurance and extended warranties.

All purchases are to be picked up in store from your chosen JB Hi Fi Store. You will receive a message either via text or email when the device is ready to be picked up. For additional support please contact JB Hi Fi Solutions for Education on 1300730548.

Information and online purchasing can be completed at <https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod>
School code: NTHCAPABYOD

Parents are welcome to purchase a device from other stores. Chromebooks are recommended as they do not require support with regards to the operating software and are most appropriate for the use of G Suite apps which is what is used daily in our classroom. Laptops of other brands can be purchased if you wish, please note that no tech support is available on these devices. Students are not to bring a tablet device.

If you wish to discuss the purchase of a device, please contact Ms Scott at school on 96304116.

Yours sincerely,

Narelle Vazquez
Principal