International School Seychelles

**Bring Your Own Device
To ISS**

1. Introduction

The International School Seychelles is committed to providing a technology based learning environment that creates opportunities to support and extend learning and teaching both in the classroom and beyond. As part of this commitment we are now in a position to allow students to access the school wireless network using their own technology (laptop, tablet).

Students will be able to bring in their own devices, access the internet via the schools network and use their devices to support their learning. This is a voluntary scheme and particular note should be made of the fact that the school accepts no responsibility for the loss, theft or damage of any phone, laptop, tablet or other device brought into school. Students should not leave their devices alone and we recommend that parents insure expensive devices.

We are starting by introducing this to year 12 and 13. Then we will open this to year 10 and 11 and finally to year 7, 8 and 9. Currently we do not plan to open the network to the primary school. Students will be able to bring their devices to school, get it enabled and use it to access the school's wireless network and the internet. There will be no charge for this access. However, as it is the schools network, the same filtering and blocking of some aspects of the internet will apply at all times. This means certain sites will be blocked. If students however have their own data plan and direct access to the internet there is no control over what they are accessing.

This element of the International School ICT provision, at this moment in time, is a privilege extended to students and as such there are rules associated with this 'Bring Your Own Device' (BYOD) initiative that, if broken or abused, will result in that privilege being taken away and school sanctions being applied.

Teachers may recommend certain educational sites or particular online activities to enhance the learning both inside lessons and at home but the use of the device in the classroom is decided by the teacher.

2. Implementation

2.1 Access to the wireless network by students will follow a programme of 'phasing in' year groups, as follows: Year 12 and 13 first, then year 10 and 11 and then year 7-9

2.2 At this moment in time there are no plans to offer student access via their own device to pupils in the Junior school.

2.3 ICT services will set up the access for each device.

2.4 Level of access when students are logged onto the internet via their device may be different according to year group. This will be reviewed as the BYOD programme grows.

2.5 Students (and their parents) will be required to sign an Acceptable Use Agreement form before the device is enabled for the network.

3. Terms and Conditions

3.1 The ISS is providing wireless connectivity as a guest service and offers no guarantees that any use of the wireless connection is in any way secure or that any privacy can be protected when using this wireless connection.

3.2 Use of the International School wireless network is entirely at the risk of the user and ISS is not responsible for any loss of any information that may arise from the use of the wireless connection, or from any loss, injury or damage resulting from use of the wireless connection.

3.3 All users of the ISS network are bound by the respective school's computer acceptable use policy. In signing that you agree to the BYOD policy you are agreeing to all of the above cautions and policies as they pertain to non-school devices.

3.4 Students and staff who do not accept the terms of service will not be able to access the school's network.

3.5 Once on the wireless network, all users will have filtered internet access just as they would on a school owned device.

3.6 Use of the device in lesson time is entirely at the discretion of the teacher. If the teacher asks you not to use your device then you must follow those instructions.

3.7 The use of a personal ICT device is not to be a distraction in any way to teachers or students. Personal devices must not disrupt class or Private Study areas in anyway. Playing games or other non-school work related activities are not permitted.

3.8 Students shall make no attempts to circumvent the school's network security. This includes setting up proxies and downloading programs to bypass security.

3.9 The ISS has the right to take action against anyone involved in incidents of inappropriate behaviour, that are covered in the BYOD Acceptable Use Agreement or school Behaviour Policy, whether in school or out of school (examples would be cyber-bullying, use of images or personal information).

3.10 Students must check their device daily for basic Health and Safety compliance to ensure it is free from defects. Any personal ICT device that has obvious Health and Safety defects should not be brought into school

3.11   Any failure to comply with this Acceptable Use Policy Agreement will be subject to disciplinary action. This may include loss of access to the school network / internet, detentions, suspensions, contact with parents and in the event of illegal activities, involvement of the police.

3.12   The School reserves the right to search and confiscate the content of any mobile or handheld devices on the school premises where there is a reasonable suspicion that it may contain inappropriate material including, but not limited to, those which promote pornography, gambling, violence, bullying or discrimination of any form.

Frequently Asked Questions

What personal ICT devices can I use in school?

You may use either a laptop or tablet computer (iPad, Android tablet)

How do I get permission to use a personal ICT device in school?

Sign and return the BYOD agreement to ICT services by the specified date.

Can I transfer work from school computers to my personal ICT device?

Students may transfer files from the school network to their laptops using a USB pen drive. Students will not be able to access their home drive on the school network directly from their device.

Can I physically plug my device into the School Network using a network cable?

Students should not plug into the school network using a network cable**.**

Can I use my device as a personal WiFi hotspot or broadcast my own wireless network to allow others to access the internet?

Students are not permitted to use their device to broadcast their own SSID or use it as a hotspot so that it can allow others to access the internet by by-passing ISS wireless network while in school. The ISS cannot permit access to non-filtered services for safety reasons and this includes all wireless services. Any student enabling such a network would no longer be able to use a personal ICT device in school. Additional sanctions for breaching school rules could also apply.

Can I use my personal ICT device in class?

Devices may only be used in class with the approval of the class teacher.

How do I charge my ICT device at school?

Devices should be charged at home. Any charging at school is at the discretion of the teacher.

Why am I filtered and monitored on my own device? Shouldn't I be able to see what I want to on my own device?

The ISS is providing you with a service that it is committed to making as safe and secure as possible. This is part of our wider duty of care to which all who work in schools are bound to follow. Your device is using the ISS wireless network which is filtered and secured according to our specifications. Please note, the BYOD WiFi network is there to help support teaching and learning and not as a recreational tool.

Please note: *Student access to the internet through the School's wireless network is in a trial state. Changes may have to be made as we evaluate how it is working and it is important to understand that the ISS has the right to make any necessary changes to how the wireless access works for the best interest and security of pupils and staff in the school.*

The ISS Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Agreement

Please read and sign the agreement below. No student will be permitted to use personal technology devices unless the agreement is signed and returned to show that you both understand and accept the terms of the agreement.

Students, wishing to use their personal devices on the ISS site must also adhere to its: Student Code of conduct, Internet Acceptable User Policy and Anti-Bullying policy. Please read carefully and initial every statement to show that you both understand and accept each one as part of this agreement:

Statements
1. I am fully responsible for my device(s). I understand that ISS is not responsible for the device(s) in any way.
2. I am not permitted to leave my personal device(s) at ISS outside of "school hours".
3. When not in use for educational purposes my device(s) must be left "on silent" to prevent any disruption and be put away when asked to by teachers.
4. I must immediately comply with any teacher's requests to shut down or close the screen on my device(s).
5. I understand that I am not permitted to either transmit or upload photographic images/videos of any person on the ISS campus to the Internet other than school approved sites.
6. I am responsible for charging my personal device(s) before bringing it/them to school so it/they can run on their batteries whilst at school. Charging may not always be available and it will always be at the discretion of teachers.
7. I understand that the ISS will not accept any responsibility for damage to my devise under any circumstances including damage caused by connecting to the school network and any infection by malware.
8. To ensure appropriate Internet filters are in place, I understand that I can only use the ISS WiFi connection in the school site and will not attempt to bypass the network restrictions by using a 3G or 4G network.
9. I understand that I must take all reasonable steps to avoid bringing devices onto the ISS premises that might infect the network with a Virus, Trojan, or program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information. Failure to do so is in violation of the Acceptable Use Policy and will result in disciplinary action in accordance with the Schools Behaviour Policy.
10. I accept that the ISS has the right to examine any device that is suspected of causing problems or is the source of an attack or virus infection.
11. I accept that printing from my personal device(s) is not permitted
12. I understand that I must not physically share my personal devices with other students, unless I have written parental permission to do so.
13. I agree that my device(s) cannot be used during assessments of any kind unless otherwise specifically directed by a teacher.

I understand that the use of personal device(s) on the ISS site is only permitted in so far as it supports my educational experience. It is not a right but a privilege, and I understand that any breach of these rules may result in the removal of this right at any time and without notice. I also understand that any breach of these rules may result other disciplinary action.

I confirm that I understand and agree to follow the above rules and guidelines.

Student's name (printed) _____

Signature of Student _____   Date ____/_____/20_____