

### Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) on Transport Disclaimer (03.10.22)

Please see below if your child/ren bring their own electronic device(s) to school.

Electronic devices include, but are not limited to mobile phones, smart phones and watches, music and media players, gaming devices, tablets and laptops.

We fully understand that some pupils require electronic devices whilst travelling but ask that all parent/carers consider carefully the points below before allowing expensive equipment to travel with their child/ren to and from school.

Thank you for your continued support.

#### Students & Parent/Carers Responsibilities

- Parent/carers and students are fully responsible for the device(s).
- Hillside Specialist School & College are not responsible for the theft, loss or damage to any personal devices brought to school by a student.
- When not in use for travelling the device(s) must be handed to the class team and the school will endeavour, where possible to store the device(s) securely.
- Pupils are not permitted to either transmit or upload photographic images/videos of any person at school or on the school transport to the internet.
- Parent/Carers are responsible for charging any personal device(s) before bringing it/them to school so they can run on their batteries whilst travelling.
- Hillside Specialist School & College will not accept any responsibility for damage to my device under any circumstances, including damage caused by connecting to the school network and any infection by malware (i.e. viruses, worms, ransomware, spyware, adware, scareware and other malicious programs).
- All devices must have appropriate internet filters (where necessary) in place.
- Parent/Carers must take all reasonable steps to avoid bringing devices onto Hillside Specialist School & College premises that might infect the network with a virus, worm or any program designed to damage, alter, destroy, or provide access to unauthorized data or information. Failure to do so may result in further action if the school network is compromised and requires specialist support to put right any damage.
- Hillside Specialist School & College has the right to examine any device that is suspected of containing material that contravenes the school rules or is the source of an attack or virus infection.
- If the student chooses to share the use of their personal device(s) with other students at school or in transit to and from school, the device remains their & their parent/carers responsibility.
- Voice, text messages pictures or videos must never be sent or received in lessons, social time, assemblies, tests and examinations. This may lead to disqualification from the exam board.
- Mobile phones/smart phones should not be used during the school day without permission.