2027 Stationery Requirements & BYOD Specifications

(Bring Your Own Device)

General Stationery Requirements

These stationery items are ADDITIONAL personal subject items required and are not part of the Student Resource Scheme (SRS Scheme).
Excursions held throughout the year may incur additional fees.

All students are to provide the following: School bucket hat/cap (available for purchase from the school uniform shop), water bottle, school bag (clearly identified) and sunscreen.

For HPE and Sport - it is mandatory that students wear the Balmoral sports uniform, school bucket hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

	Purchase Quantity
Pencil case to fit below items	1
Pack of 12 coloured pencils	1
Eraser	1
Highlighters x 4 colours	1 of each
Black biros	4
Blue biros	4
Red biros	2
Ruler	1
Sharpener	1
Scissors	1
Correction tape (not liquid paper)	1
1800 (semicircle) protractor & compass	1
64GB USB	1
Stapler and staples	1
Document plastic protectors A4 size pack of 20 (medium weight)	1
Earphones/headset (to fit students laptop port)	1
50+ sunscreen	1
School bucket hat from uniform shop on school campus	1
Casio FX82 AU Plus II 2nd edition calculator	1
Laptop as per Balmoral SHS BYOD policy (on school website – EXAMPLE ONLY) www.balmoralshs.eq.edu.au – details attached.	1

Students will be issued a school diary which is used during Period 2 Tuesday lesson.

All students commencing at Balmoral State High School will be guided through the process on how to access the school network.

2027 BYOD POLICY

(Bring your own device)

PLEASE NOTE: The following are not supported:

Chromebooks, Android devices (including Galaxy tablets), Windows 10 or older, Linux, Apple devices and devices with Snapdragon processors.

Windows 10 standard support ended on 14 October 2025.

Some add-on insurance products, including some Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) policies, are subject to a mandatory four-day deferral period. Exemptions apply. Ask your retailer or insurer when ADP can be purchased and how it will be offered. We still recommend purchasing ADP.

Selecting a device for school:

Device Requirements

The best way to purchase a laptop is to shop around your local retailers and take advantage of sales.

To make sure your device is suitable for the school, please ask your retailer the following questions:

Can it connect to the school network?

Devices must support 5 **GHz Wi-Fi** (at least Wi-Fi 5 / 802.11ac), often available on devices described as having d**ual-band Wi-Fi**.

Windows 11 devices are required at our school. Apple devices are not supported.

Do not buy a Chromebook, as Chromebooks are not compatible with our school network.

If in doubt, ask your retailer "Does this device run Windows 11 and support 5 GHz Wi-Fi?".

Will it last the whole school day?

Battery life can vary depending on usage and batteries degrade over time.

We recommend an advertised battery life of 8 hours.

If in doubt, ask your retailer "Will this device last an entire school day, even after three years of use?".

Is it fast enough to be useful?

Our experience shows that two main indicators of BYOD performance are the number of CPU threads and SSD storage.

Do not buy a device with a mechanical hard drive (HDD). Choose a device with at least a **256 GB solid-state drive (SSD)**.

Choose a device with four or more CPU threads. If in doubt, ask your retailer "Does this device have a 256 GB or larger solid-state drive and four or more CPU threads?".

If it breaks, can it be fixed?

Technology fails and accidents happen. Choose a device with more repair options to:

- Save money by repairing instead of replacing;
- Reduce stress when accidents occur.

We recommend choosing a three-year warranty and Accidental Damage Protection (ADP) with a $0 excess for your device. Alternatively, choose a device that can be repaired by your local repair shop. If in doubt, ask your retailer "What repair options do I have for this device if it breaks?".

Required Software

You **don't** need to purchase any optional software (e.g. Microsoft Office) with your device.

We **don't** recommend purchasing Trend Micro, McAfee or other third-party antivirus programs, as they may interfere with your student's connection to the school network. Windows devices include Microsoft **Defender** Antivirus, which is supported by the Department and the school network.

Once you have your school username and password, you can access software downloads for **Microsoft Office, Adobe** and other software from our student intranet:

https://qedu.sharepoint.com/sites/2043/student External link

Questions

Please get in contact with us at IT@balmoralshs.eq.edu.au

Minimum Required Specifications for BYOD Devices

Processor	Intel Pentium/ Intel Core i3 (2020+ / 10th Gen+)
Memory (RAM)	8 GB
Battery	8+ hours
Screen Size	13"
Resolution	1280 x 1024
Hard Drive (SSD)	256 GB
Network	Wi-Fi 5 (5 GHz, 802.11ac)
Operating System	Windows 11

If minimum specifications are not met, we cannot guarantee connection to the school network and the device may experience issues performing the learning tasks.

Recommended Specifications for BYOD Devices

Processor	Intel Core i5 12th Gen
Memory (RAM)	16 GB
Battery	8+ hours
Screen Size	13" - 15"
Resolution	1920 x 1080 FHD
Storage (SSD)	512 GB
Network	Wi-Fi 6 (5 GHz, 802.11ax)
Operating System	Windows 11

Year 8 – Balmoral State High School

Core Subjects for the Year	**Elective Subjects – 2 x 2 Term subjects**
English	Art
Geography	Aviation
Mathematics	Dance
Science	Drama
TRP – Resilience Project	Music
Health and Physical Education – 6months	Media
Japanese – 6 months	Materials, Technology & Engineering (TMT)
	Digital Technology (DIG)
	Food & Textiles (TFF)

Academies
Football Academy
Netball Academy
Music Academy
Instrumental Music/Band

English	96 page A4 ruled exercise books	2	
	Display book A4 – 20 pockets refillable Red	1	
Mathematics	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	2	
	Calculator as listed in general stationery	1	
Science	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Calculator as listed	1	
	Ruler, Glue stick and scissors as listed		
Geography	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Display book A4 – 20 pockets refillable Blue	1	
TRP – Resilience Project	64 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
Health & Physical Education	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Suncreen as listed	1	
	Hat as listed	1	
	Slimpick document wallet – foolscap size Yellow	1	
Japanese	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	2	
	Display book A4 – 20 pocket s refillable - Yellow	1	
	HB pencils	4	
	Rubber	1	
Aviation	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Calculator as listed in general stationery	1	

Dance	Performance tights/bike pants	1	
	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
Drama	Slimpick document wallet – foolscap Green	1	
	Display book – 20 pocket refillable Green	1	
Music	96 page feint & staved ruled exercise book	1	
	Display book – 20 pocket refillable – Black	1	
	2B pencil	1	
Media	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	8GB or 16GB SD card	1	
Visual Art	Fineline 0.4mm artline 200 black pen	1	
	2B pencil	1	
	4B pencil	1	
	6B pencil		
	Visual Art A4 spiral bound diary	1	
TMT	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	HB pencils	2	
Digital	Laptop as per BYOD policy	1	
	USB as per general stationery list	1	
Food & Textiles	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Display book A4 size – 20 page refillable - Green	1	
ACADEMIES – ALL FEES AS PER STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME			
Football Academy	Academy fees and uniform as per SRS form		
Music Academy	Music book 96 page feint & staved ruled	1	
	2B pencil	1	
	Display book A4 size 20 page refillable – Black	1	
Netball Academy	96 page A4 ruled exercise book	1	
	Academy fees and uniform as per SRS form	1	
	Whistle	1	
	Display book – 20 page refillable – Clear	1	