# 21st Century Learning with Technology
# At Carlton Public School
# Stage 3 BYOD (Bring Your Own Device)

## Rationale
*Carlton Public School embraces student use of ICT in the belief that it enables students to learn in a multitude of different and powerful ways with great efficiency.*

## What we are doing
*A vision*
Revising/updating the vision for learning in the school to include the personalisation of learning, advanced through personally owned devices for all learners.
In other words, we introduced a BYOD program in two Stage 3 pilot classes and then rolled the program out across all of Stage 3.

## What we found
The students loved it.

They are highly engaged, working collaboratively and independently to achieve their goals.

The individual needs of all students are being met through rich tasks and creative and critical thinking across all KLAs.  Students are in the driver's seat of their learning and they love it.

Here is what they said….

## What the students say
"I like using Google Classroom because it's an easier way for us to handle our work."

"It is easier to look at the iPad than the whiteboard.  Everything we need is on there."

"I don't have to look at the white board that I can't clearly see from my seat.  It's easy to use."

"We can work at our own speed."

"It's much easier to store info.  You know what's happening and what's going to happen.  It's much easier because you can attach folders, maths, English, History and Geography and more."

"The thing that I like about the iPad is that it is portable. I like Google Classroom because it is paperless and it's on your desk.

"It is easier to see, you can scroll down to where you're up to, it is very convenient- Easier to learn  * I LOVE IT*"

"We learn new things and it's fun."

"It helps us learn in a fun and exciting way. I like using Google Classroom because it helps us for our future."

"I really like BYOD at school."

"Overall I like using the iPads in class, but I hope that I can use my laptop soon too."

So, we introduced laptops too and we rolled BYOD out across all of Stage 3.

==What Google Classroom does==
It is the hub of all teaching and learning tasks, alerts, projects, assignments… Everything really!

Google Classroom gives students access to the whole Google Suite:

Google Docs (think Pages/Word)

Google Sheets (think Numbers/Excel)

Google Slides (think Keynote/Powerpoint)

Google Forms (think "amazing!") Students and teachers can create questions and see their data in various ways in real time. SO FANTASTIC!!

Essentially, Google Classroom keeps everything together in one location in the cloud.  This means that it is available across all of your devices and is saved in real time, all the time and won't disappear unless you intend for it to do so.

It is completely secure and is accessed through the Student/Staff Portal.