

TECHNOLOGY – 2026

Device Quick Reference Guide for Parents

Device Technology is no longer optional in our modern world but has become a necessary modern-day tool and therefore central to learn to use as a skill of the 21st century. At BenHale, we ensure that your child develops an acceptable level of proficiency in the use and management of device technology. Technology is an enabler that provides enhanced support in your child's learning.

Quick Ref:

- **Grades R–6** → Tablet (10.1 inch, 32GB, Wi-Fi, case. Optional -stylus and or Bluetooth keyboard)
- **Grades 7–12** → Laptop (Core i3, 4GB RAM, 256GB SSD, Office 365, antivirus, bag, earphones)
- **IT Students Gr 10-12** → Laptop (Core i5, 8GB RAM, 256GB SSD, Office 365 with Ms Access, antivirus, bag, earphones)

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Grades R–6

Device Required: Tablet

- **Display:** 10-to-11-inch Full HD
- **Storage:** 64GB is the current baseline for most Android and Apple tablets, giving enough room for school apps, e-books, and projects without constant storage warnings. 32GB is the minimum and is acceptable.
- **RAM (Memory):** 4-6GB
- **Connectivity:** Wi-Fi + Bluetooth (no SIM card required)
- **Extras:**
 - Protective case (strongly recommended)
 - Stylus (helpful for handwriting/drawing) but not necessary
 - Bluetooth keyboard (optional for Grades 4–6)

Note: Android or Apple tablets are suitable – choose what suits your family best.

Read further for older grades...



Grades 7–12

Device Required: Laptop

- **Screen:** Full HD (1920 × 1080 resolution, 13 to 15-inch screen)
- **CPU/Processor:** Dual Core Intel i3 or AMD Ryzen 3
- **RAM (Memory):** 4GB minimum (8GB recommended for IT students in Grade 10-12)
- **Storage:** 256GB SSD
- **Connectivity:** Wi-Fi Dual Band, Bluetooth
- **Software:**
 - Windows 11 Home, 64-bit (Windows 11 Pro for IT students in Gr 10-12)
 - Microsoft Office 365 (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and MS Access for IT students in Gr 10-12)
 - PDF reader
 - Antivirus (ESET NOD32 preferred)
- **Extras:**
 - Protective carry bag
 - Earphones/headset

General Guidance for All Parents

- **Insurance:** Parents must insure devices (school not liable for loss/damage).
 - **Warranty:** Consider extended warranties – Dell laptops are recommended for reliability and support, but any reputable brand is acceptable.
 - **Internet:** Students connect through the secure campus Wi-Fi for research, learning technology, adaptive apps and communications.
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