Wauchope High School is scheduled to distribute laptops to Year 9 students shortly.

Parents, carers and students of Year 9 are invited to an information session about the new school laptops which will be given to students who, with their parents/carers, have agreed to and signed the NSW DER ‘Laptop User Charter’. We strongly encourage parents who are new to the laptop program to attend the information session, however, those parents who have already attended an information session may choose to simply have their child collect a charter at school the following day, sign it and return it to the school.

Custom-made for school use; we are informed the laptops are robust, compact and lightweight. They easily fit in a school bag and come fully loaded with a range of leading software and learning applications.

The laptops are wireless enabled so students can connect to the school network and the internet in and around the school grounds.

If you have internet at home, your child will be able to connect to the internet in most cases and will be able to connect to the DEC’s internet from home.

Laptop User Charters will be distributed at the information evening and on the following day at school. You will have an opportunity to complete and sign them at the information evening – the Laptop User Charter must be signed both by students and a parent / carer (please bring a pen). No student is allowed to have a laptop unless the school has a signed Laptop User Charter.

The agenda for the information evening will be:-
- Introduction of our Technical Support Officer – Mr Josh Winter
- The role of the TSO in case of Theft or Loss.
- Explanation of key Laptop User Charter points
  - Equipment – [Student Responsibility; Ownership; Material]
  - Damage or Loss – [Warranty; Theft; Loss / accidental damage; Damage or loss through abuse by neglect or a malicious act]
  - Chargers
- The use of laptops in the classroom
- There will be an opportunity to ask questions
- Laptop User Charter completion and hand in.

The information evening will be held in the Wauchope High School Library on Tuesday 7th February at 6pm in the school library.

We look forward to sharing this information with you.

B. Henry
Principal