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NASDAP Prestigious e-Learning Study Tour

"A snapshot of my tour"

Some great PD for staff and students re BYOD.

A real mix of what devices to bring for example:
- cannot bring a device that has a screen smaller than 150mm,
- must bring the device that the school states,
- tablets not so good,
- bring any device you like,
- some students have more than one device including cellphones,
- laptops were popular,
- let the students know what specifications they need on their device for different subjects then they and their family can choose,
- although computer pods and specialist classrooms with computers still exist some schools are questioning these areas as more and more students have these specialist programs on their laptops so they can work at home.

Some schools expect the students to have charged their device at home and the device would have the required power to last the full school day – no charging at school, if the charging is not done then the student uses pen and paper for the day. While other schools would allow the students to charge their device during the school day in lock and leave lockers with hot points in them.

Students had tuition on file management and cyber wellness.

Some schools had an ESCT – e-Learning Specialist Classroom Teacher.

Good idea for staff to have an annual goal on their device or its intended use in their PD appraisal.

Buddy up champions with the blockers.

The app store is blocked during the school day, students have to get apps at home.

"Some aspects of e- Learning you may want to think about"

- When students bring a device to school what is the pedagogical outcome you desire?
- What specifications do you want in the student's device?
- How long will the battery last and will students be able to recharge their device at school?
- What will you block and why? Some classes use face book.
- Insurance.
- Parental training.
- Internet, network, email policy.
- Data limit for downloading.
- Reporting lost or stolen devices.
- Chat, social networking and electronic games.
- Personal software.
- Devices left at home.
- Back up and data storage.
- Virus protection and removal.
- Storage of devices.
- Service and support.
- Transport and school bags.
- Printing.
- Device mode flexibility.

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