



Mobile Phone Policy for Students & Parents/Carers

Rationale

Mobile phones are important communication tools, however they can be improperly used, cause disruption to school programs or be lost or damaged. The use of mobile phones are not permitted to be used in the classroom by students unless approved by the teacher/Principal for the purpose of the lesson.

Aims

- To ensure that optimal learning opportunities are available for all students, free of distraction and unnecessary interruptions
- To maintain a safe and secure learning environment for students and staff

Implementation

Students who bring mobile phones to school, must abide by the following expectations:

- Phones are to be handed to the class teacher at the beginning of the day and sent to the Administration office for safe-keeping until they are returned to the students at the end of the school day
- Student's mobile phones must not be brought to classes, meetings, assemblies or similar organised activities and should not be seen at non-class times such as recess or lunch breaks
- The Principal may revoke a student's privilege of bringing a mobile phone to school or confiscate the phone for a period of time should the student not hand in the phone at the beginning of the day, as expected
- Mobile phones owned by students are brought to school at their own risk. The school does not accept responsibility for lost or damaged student mobile phones. The school's insurance cover will not compensate for damaged, lost or stolen personal mobile phones.

Parent Mobile Phones

- Mobile phones owned by parents/carers are brought to school at their own risk. The school's insurance cover will not compensate damaged, lost or stolen personal mobile phones
- Parents/carers will be reminded to switch their Mobile Phones to silent mode during School and Class activities.

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