

## **Mobile phone and other wireless-enabled communication technologies (Middle School)**

From the beginning of 2018, Middle School will be a *mobile phone and other wireless-enabled communication technology free zone* for students during school hours, that is, between 8.55am and 3.15pm. This is inclusive of class time and break times.

**THE EXCEPTION TO THIS POLICY IS EACH STUDENTS' BYOD LAPTOP OR TABLET WHICH IS ONLY TO BE USED FOR SCHOOLWORK DURING CLASS OR DURING BREAK TIMES WITH TEACHER PERMISSION.**

Students who bring mobile phones and/or other wireless-enabled communication technologies to school will be required to leave them in their locker or hand them in to the office for safe-keeping for the duration of the day. Students will not be permitted to carry their phone or other wireless-enabled communication technologies with them during the school day, or spend any time accessing them during non-class time.

Students needing to communicate with parents will be able to do so from the office. Likewise, parents will be able to get messages to their Middle School child/ren through the office or send text messages that the child will receive at the end of the school day when they access their phone.

Each student's B.Y.O.D. laptop or tablet and a calculator are sufficient for the technology requirements of their learning at LCS.

If students bring their phone and/or other wireless-enabled communication technologies to school they will be strongly advised to secure their lockers with a lock. Each student will be responsible for providing their own key or combination lock and the school will not be held liable in the event of needing to cut through a lock whose key is lost or combination has been forgotten.

Middle School students will continue to be educated about safe and wise use of technology, including mobile phone and other wireless-enabled technologies, as part of their Health and Pastoral Care curricula here at school.

If teachers want students to bring their phone to a specific lesson for a specific purpose, they will give students advanced notice and the phone will be permitted for that lesson only.

Mobile phone and other wireless-enabled communication technologies not left in lockers or at the office between 8.55am and 3.15pm will be confiscated and given to Head of Middle School and may be collected at a time convenient for Head of Middle School. Regular offenders will not be permitted to bring phones or other wireless-enabled technologies to school.

