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Use of Mobile Devices - GUIDELINES

Technology plays a large role in our lives, and while many students have their own devices - be they phones, ipads, ipods or a myriad of other devices – **we encourage them, where they can, to be left at home.**

The school does not accept responsibility for theft, loss, damage or health effects (potential or actual) resulting from the use of mobile devices.

If a device is being brought to school, to use before/after school or on the bus, the following rules need to be followed:

Devices are:

1. **to be kept in the students bag/locker at all times during the day, either on silent or turned off.**
2. **not to be used/played with during the day – this includes recess and lunch breaks** – unless advised to by a member of staff

Mobile Phone

Students are **encouraged NOT to bring mobile phones to school.**

In case of emergency contact or genuine need, contact with students can be made through the school Front Office. Likewise, students wishing to make phone calls are required to negotiate this with the Front Office Staff.

The School recognises that there are times when it is genuinely appropriate and useful for students to have access to a mobile phone **before or after school**; for example, to contact parents in an emergency during travel to and from school, to confirm a change of plans, eg sports practise.

Students **who are not able to comply** with expectation will be reminded of the school guidelines and the phone will be confiscated by **ANY ADULT**. The phone can be collected at the Front Office at the end of the day. A repeat offence will require the parent/guardian to collect the phone. Any repeat offences from this occurrence will be managed in accordance with the School's behaviour guidelines.

Level protocols -

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| • LEVEL 1 | - Student to collect (student to sign out) | <u>1st time confiscation</u> |
| • LEVEL 2 | - Parent to collect (parent to sign out) | <u>2nd time confiscation</u> |
| • LEVEL 3 | - Front Office (Student will work in corridor for entire day) | <u>3rd time confiscation</u> |

Students participating in camps, field trips, excursions or other supervised learning activities will be advised on a case by case basis regarding the use of mobile phones.



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Ipods/music during lessons

Perception

- Some students believe that using their ipods/music during lessons is their right.

Clarification

- The use of ipods/music during lessons is a privilege; allowed by teachers when and where appropriate. *(Generally if working on a task independently eg. In the computer room on an assignment or project).*

Expectation

- **Students must ask their teacher if they can use their ipod/music.** *(This is an expected courtesy from students).*
- Students who do not ask their teacher will lose the right to listen to the music.
- If a student is asked to remove or turn off their mobile device and they argue or don't comply; their mobile device will be requested and the student needs to collect at the end of the day from the Front Office.

Year 11 and Year 12 students only

- During study periods, permission to use ipods/music is not expected as you are independent learners and we expect that you are using your time appropriately.
- However, if a staff member comes into the room to talk with you, or the class, the expectation is that the mobile device is turned off and (both) ear phones removed.

Remember

The use of a mobile device is a privilege; please don't abuse the opportunity for yourself and others.

SAFETY

- no excessive volume when listening to music
- if you have trouble with these guidelines **you may have an addiction.**

NOTE - This is a condensed version of the Mobile Device Guidelines. The entire document (6 pages) is available in hard copy via the Front Office.



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