



## Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices Policy

For security, safety and or emergency purposes, some parents and guardians supply their child with a mobile phone or mobile device. This policy outlines the conditions under which mobile phones and other electronic devices are permitted to be brought to school by students.

Students are able to bring a mobile phone to school for safety or security reasons for use in transit to or from school only. Student phone numbers must be recorded with the school.

Student iPads must be taken out of school bags at the beginning of each day for use in educational activities.

### Mobile Phones

- Parents are advised that the best way to contact their child during the school day is to leave a message for students via the school office, **not via** mobile phones.
- Mobile phones must be turned off whilst on school premises. All mobile phones must be handed into the office at the beginning of the day. All mobile phones will be locked away.
- Mobile phones must be picked up from the office at the end of each day. Mobile phones not picked up will be locked away for the evening. The school accepts no responsibility for the safe keeping of these devices if brought to school.

### Consequences for inappropriate use

- Mobile phones used inappropriately by students during the day will be confiscated. The device will need to be collected by the parent from the front office.
- Repeated breaches will result in the Principal withdrawing permission for the student to bring a mobile phone or other devices to the school.
- Students may be suspended for up to 10 days in accordance with the schools behaviour management policy.

### Electronic devices – Game Boys, Ipod, DS Games

- We discourage students to bring these devices to school.
- If students bring them to school, the device must remain in the students bag and not be used during the day.

### Consequences for inappropriate use

- Inappropriate use of these devices will result in the device being confiscated.
- Parents and caregivers will be contacted if repeated incidents occur. Parents will be requested to pick up the device from the front office.

### School Approved Apple iPad Devices

- Student iPads must be taken out of school bags at the beginning of each day for use in educational activities.
- All iPads will be locked in classrooms during recess and lunch breaks.
- The school will not accept any liability for iPads being broken, lost or stolen. Parents must insure them under their own house and contents insurance.
- Apple iPad devices will be used throughout the day for student learning activities as a tool to support student learning.
- Students will not have access to unapproved websites or apps whilst at school as per schools internet policy. Students will not be able to use the iPad for text, message, photographic, video or other data transfer systems to share with others to harass, bully or intimidate.

### Consequences for inappropriate use

The iPad will be confiscated and parents will be contacted to discuss the issue. The student may lose the privilege to utilise the iPad at school for a period of time and may have to share devices with others in the classroom.

The Principal reserves the right to grant exemptions to this policy in exceptional circumstances.