

SCHOOL POLICY RE MOBILE PHONES

While we accept that students have mobile phones, we are also conscious of the time-wasting and covert bullying possible through their misuse.

The usage of mobile phones during the school day is not necessary as all incoming and outgoing emergency calls relating to your daughter between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 4.15 p.m. are made through our school office or by a member of staff.

Where parents insist that their daughters need a mobile phone outside of the above hours, the following arrangements must prevail:

- Students are not allowed to carry mobile phones with them to class. They must store them in their locked lockers.
- **Mobile phones must be switched off and placed in locked locker on arrival in school for the duration of the school day. This includes lunchtime and breaks. They are not to be turned on again until the student has left the school premises.**
- Students may not use their mobile phones for any other function during the school day (i.e. music, calculator, etc.)
- Where mobile phones are carried forward to evening, school based activities, they must remain switched off.

A student who is found using a mobile phone in school will have her phone confiscated. It will be kept in the office for a minimum of 24 hours and will only be returned to a parent or guardian.

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