

MOBILE PHONES

MOBILE PHONES - JUNIOR SCHOOL

The College discourages Junior School students to carry mobile phones. If you wish your child to carry a mobile phone, the phone must stay in the child's bag during College hours.

Students are not permitted to carry mobile phones on excursions, camps, sporting trips or at College carnivals and other events.

MOBILE DEVICES - SENIOR SCHOOL

Acceptable Use of Mobile Devices:

Mobile devices can be used for learning purposes at College or authorised College activities only when the supervising teacher gives permission for the following:

Mobile devices may be used:

- to access applications (such as the calculator) or the internet in class for specified learning activities
- for photography or videoing for a specified learning activity. For example: photographing a science experiment
- to conduct a phone conversation for a specified learning activity
- to access internet-based applications for a specified learning activity
- as an organiser in addition to the College diary but not as a replacement
- as a listening device for private study in study centre and study camp

Mobile devices cannot be used at College or authorised College activities for the following:

- to cause harm to students, staff and others or the College reputation
- before College, recess or at lunch in the playground
- for private texting to friends or relatives during College hours
- for private conversations. If parents need to be contacted by a student while at College the supervising teacher should be informed and arrangements made through the student receptionist in the College office for the student to access the College phone. For example: if a student needs to change arrangements for getting home.
- as a listening device in class or in the playground. This is for safety reasons and encouraging student interaction and conversation. Ear phones reduce students ability to hear activity around them and therefore may increase risk of harm
- to substitute the use of the College student diary. The College diary is used for written communication purposes between parents, staff and students
- to tether for the purpose of bypassing the College wireless internet access
- to download internet – based applications that incur costs
- to link up a College computer / network system with their mobile device

The mobile device owned by an individual that is brought to College or an authorised College activity is the sole responsibility of the student and not the College.

Students and parents are required to sign a declaration that they have read and agree to be bound by the conditions in the Acceptable Use of Mobile Devices policy.

Inappropriate use of mobile devices, iPads and other technology will result in their immediate confiscation and students will be placed on a lunchtime detention. Under confiscation, the mobile device will be taken by the teacher to the staffroom for storage. A student may be asked to provide access to their mobile device for the purposes of a College investigation into an alleged incident involving that student. Students must accept that misuse of mobile phones/devices will result in serious consequences.

Mobile phones are not to be used at any time including before and after school, at lunch and recess and are only to be used in class under special circumstances at the teacher's discretion. Phones should be turned off and left in bags and/or lockers for the duration of the school day.