


Mobile Phone Policy Student

POLICY DATES: JOHN CALVIN SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE POLICY - STUDENT			
Formulated			
Implemented		Reviewed	
Next Review Due			
POLICY AUTHORISATION			
Principal	Daniel Coote	Signature	

JCS Mobile phone policy - student
 Implemented:
 To be reviewed:



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The school recognises that there are times when it is genuinely appropriate and useful for students to have access to a mobile phone - for example, to contact parents in emergencies, to confirm or change a collection time after school or school activities. It is not necessary, nor acceptable, for mobile phones to be switched on or used during school hours. They can be a distraction to students, a disruption to classes and they also pose a security problem. As a result, students are discouraged from bringing them to school.

Any student, who is feeling unwell at school and needs to go home, must arrange this through the school Administration Office. Under no circumstances may students use mobiles to contact home and make arrangements to leave. Parents must confirm or change collection times after school through the school Administration office, NOT directly with the student using the mobile phone

The following policy applies with respect to mobile phones:

- as a rule, mobile phone use by students should only be in cases of emergency or genuine need
- courtesy, consideration of and respect for others, are paramount at all times
- mobile phones must be switched off and handed in to the school Administration Office at the beginning of the school day and collected at the end of school hours
- they are brought to and kept at school, and used entirely at their owner's risk. **The school cannot accept any responsibility for theft, loss, damage or health effects (potential or actual) resulting from mobile phone use.** Students and parents should recognise, however, that mobile phones are highly prized targets for theft and, accordingly, phones should always be stored in a safe and secure place
- parents and students should ensure that mobile phones are properly and adequately insured as personal property
- they should not be used in any manner or place that is disruptive to the normal routines of the school or to other people. Usage includes the sending and receiving of text messages or data, playing games and use as calculators.
- non-observance or breach of these rules will result in the mobile phone being confiscated and privileges restricted or withdrawn. If the mobile phone is confiscated, it will need to be collected from the Principal at the end of the school day. This occurrence will be recorded and on the third occasion a parent will be asked to collect the mobile phone after school. It will not be released to the student. Staff cannot accept any responsibility for a mobile phone during the period in which it is confiscated

- mobile phones are not to be brought into tests or examinations.

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