



MOBILE PHONES AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES – ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY Years 10 to 12

Preamble:

This Policy applies to students at school and during school excursions, camps and extra-curricular activities. In an emergency, the office, rather than a student mobile phone is the most appropriate form of contact.

Use of Mobile Phones and electronic communication devices:

Mobile phones and electronic communication devices are permitted at school under the conditions listed below:

1. Mobile phones and electronic communication devices are only to be used in class when the teacher has given express permission for their use.
2. No electronic communication devices are to be taken into exams or assessments.
3. No students are to use their electronic communication devices to take photos, video, record sound without the permission of the teacher or the person being recorded/photographed
4. No students are to use their electronic communication devices to email inappropriate materials or to access inappropriate Internet sites while at school (as per the Terms and Conditions for Access to the College Network and Internet Agreement).
5. Mobile phones should be switched to silent during class time.
6. Mobile phone ring tones should be appropriate to a school setting.

Theft or Damage:

Students must mark their electronic devices clearly with their name. Electronic devices which are found in the school should be handed to the office.

The safety and security of electronic devices is wholly the responsibility of the student.

The school accepts no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged electronic devices either at school, on excursions or while travelling to and from school.

Consequences

If any electronic communication device is used inappropriately, staff may confiscate the item and pass it to the office. This will be placed in an envelope for collection by a parent/guardian at the end of the school day.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year review cycle.
This policy was ratified by School Council in December 2013.