EDNEY PRIMARY SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE POLICY

2025

For the purposes of this policy, 'mobile phones' includes smart watches and wearable devices with messaging, Internet and Bluetooth capabilities.

Rationale

Edney Primary School is, and will continue to be, committed to the education of students, staff and their school community in the responsible and acceptable use of mobile phones. There is no requirement for students to have a mobile phone at school. However, for security and safety purposes to and from school, some parents/carers may have supplied their child with a mobile phone.

Principles

1. In order for a student to bring a mobile phone or wearable device with messaging, internet or Bluetooth capabilities to school, parents/carers need to write to the Principal requesting permission for the child to have the device at school.

2. Mobile phones will be turned off and handed to the class teacher at the beginning of the day, they will be kept in a locked area.

3. Mobile devices that are worn with messaging capabilities must be on aeroplane mode during the school day.

4. Students will collect their phone from the classroom teacher at the end of the day.

5. Mobile phones may only be turned on when students are not on school premises.

6. Mobile phones must be in students' bags when they are not locked away.

7. Mobile phones brought to school are at the sole risk and liability of the student and/or its owner. The school and its personnel do not accept any responsibility whatsoever for any loss, breakage or safekeeping of such mobile phones.

8. All communication between parents and students, during school hours, should occur via the school's administration on 6216 4700.

Sanctions

Students infringing on the principles noted above will have their mobile phone confiscated and secured. It will be taken to the front office and kept secure, and the parent(s) of the student informed. Parent(s) of the student may collect the device at their convenience.

Any incidents of inappropriate behaviours through the use of mobile phones will result in disciplinary action as applied by the Principal. The Principal may then withdraw permission to the student to bring a mobile phone to Edney Primary School for a set period or permanently.

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Parents who require their child to bring a mobile phone to school, including a smart watch and any wearable device with messaging, Internet and Bluetooth capabilities, and associated listening accessories must complete the form below.

2025 Student Mobile Phone and Messages Devices Permission Form

I wish for my child _____ Room _____ to have permission to bring a mobile phone to school.

Please provide a reason that a mobile phone is required at school for your child:

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I have read the school's policy on Mobile Phones and agree to the principles and sanctions.

I understand that the school does not accept responsibility for any theft, loss or damage of mobile phones.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____