



# St. John's C.E. Primary School

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## Policy for: Pupil Mobile Phone Policy

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# St John's CE Primary Pupil Mobile Phone Policy



St John's would always discourage mobile phones from being brought into school, however, as a school we fully appreciate the part they play in helping keep children 'safe' whilst walking to and from school independently. As a result of this and due to the ever increasing number of mobile phones being brought into school, we have developed this policy in conjunction with staff, parents and Governors. The school expectation is that this will only affect pupils in Year 6. We would always expect that a child knows the collection from school arrangements in advance and not that they are reliant on receiving a message on their mobile phone.

## Aims of the policy

- To set out for staff, parents and pupils the school's position in relation to mobile phones being brought into school
- To make clear to parents and pupils the expectations for mobile phone usage whilst in school
- To ensure the use of mobile phones does not impact upon the learning of pupils whilst in school

## Mobile Phone Code of Conduct

- Pupils must hand in their mobile phone to their class teacher to be stored for the day. At before or after school clubs their phone should be handed in to the person leading the club.
- Pupils must ensure that their mobile phone is turned off throughout their time on the school premises including the playground.
- Pupils understand that if their mobile phone is seen in school, it will be confiscated and their **parents** will need to collect it from school.
- Pupils understand that if they use their phone inappropriately whilst at school (e.g. send unkind or abusive text messages, connect to a social networking site, take photos etc.) it will be confiscated and their parents will need to collect it from school.
- Serious misuse of a phone/regularly breaching this code of conduct may lead to a pupil being banned from bringing their phone into school.

## Pupil and Parental Expectations

- Parents and Pupils must sign the 'code of conduct' before a pupil will be allowed to bring their phone into school
- Parents and Pupils must sign a waiver, which declares that St John's C.E. Primary School will take no responsibility for any loss, damage or theft associated with the mobile phone
- It is the Parents responsibility to ensure they have signed the relevant paperwork e.g. if they have a child who starts to bring a phone into school they need to request the code of conduct and waiver. It is not the school's responsibility to ensure that these forms are signed.



## MOBILE PHONE

### Code of Conduct – *to be returned to school*

#### Pupils

- I understand that I must hand my phone to my class teacher.
- I understand that I must keep my phone turned off when I am in school including before and after school clubs and in the playground.
- I understand that my phone will be confiscated if it is seen in school.
- I understand that my phone will be confiscated if I use it to send unkind or abusive text messages, connect to a social networking site or take photos when I am at school.

Signed by the Pupil: ..... Date: .....

Class: .....

#### Parents

- I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure my child understands and adheres to the code of conduct set out above.
- I understand that the school will accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or theft in relation to my child's mobile phone.

Signed by the Parent/Carer: ..... Date: .....