

FAIRFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL



MOBILE PHONE POLICY (For Pupils)

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Fairfield would always discourage mobile phones from being brought into school, however, as a school we fully appreciate the part they play in keeping children 'safe' whilst walking to and from school independently. As a result of this we have developed this policy to ensure that mobile phones can be used to keep pupils 'safe' during their journey to and from school.

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 are **not permitted to bring their mobile phones on day trips or residential visits.**
- Pupils must **hand their mobile phone to their class teacher, office staff or other member of staff (if attending an event e.g. disco)**
- Pupils must ensure that their mobile phone **is turned off throughout their time on the school premises**
- 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** (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 may lead to a pupil being banned from bringing one into school.**
- **Pupils must provide school with their mobile number to trace any inappropriate activity**

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 Fairfield Community 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.**

Code of Conduct

Pupils

- I understand that I must hand my mobile phone to the class teacher, office member of staff or member of staff (if attending an event e.g. disco)
- I understand that I must keep my phone turned off when I am in school
- 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

Name.....

Signed: Date:

Class:

Mobile number:

Parents

- I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that 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: Date:

Parent/Guardian/Carer*
(*please delete as appropriate)

