

## **Student Mobile Device Policy**

Mobile devices such as phones, iPads and iPod Touches are multifunctional devices which can be used as powerful learning tools. Mobile devices are welcome to be used at school as long as their uses are enhancing learning and not detracting from it.

The use of mobile devices falls within the School Agreements and the Cyber- Safety User Agreement.

This school aims to provide an environment for uninterrupted learning. Mobile devices can be a source of distraction. During learning time, the mobile devices must only be used for “on task” purposes. When not in use students’ mobile devices are to be placed face up on their desk and switched to silent. It is school policy that all mobile phones, not being used for teaching, be switched to silent during teaching times by staff, students and visitors.

This school acknowledges that mobile phones are used for emergency communication between children and their parents to and from school. However, while at school, parents are to contact their children by calling the front office. Children are not to make phone calls without teacher permission.

Students must be responsible for their own property. The school will take no responsibility for any damage or loss of students’ personal mobile devices.

As children are encouraged to be active during break times, mobile devices are to be kept locked in classrooms unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Should a child break this policy, the mobile device may be confiscated and the parent/caregiver asked to come to school to collect the device.

*The following to be included after ratification  
ratified by staff 26/7/12  
endorsed by Governing Council 1/8/12*