



Friesland School

MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Schools advice to all students remains to NOT bring mobile phones in to school. If students do bring their mobile phone in to school they do so at their own risk and the school will not accept liability for any lost or stolen mobile phones.

If a student does bring a mobile phone in to school, it must remain switched off **during form time and lesson time during the school day** and NOT used for other purposes either, especially taking photographs and making videos **UNLESS SPECIFIC PERMISSION TO DO SO IS GIVEN BY A MEMBER OF STAFF**. However, phones may be switched on and used at break times / lunch-times as well as before and after school but not used inappropriately.

Students must not phone parents / carers when they are unwell but go to the medical room in school. Similarly parents / carers should use the school phone number and main office to contact their children in school. If a student needs to make any emergency phone call home during the school day this can be made via the school office.

If a member of staff sees a student using their mobile phone without permission in **school, other than before school, at break time or after school**, it will be confiscated by the member of staff. The confiscated phone will be handed in to the school office and stored in the school safe. The following stages will apply:

Stage 1:

The confiscated phone will be handed into the school office and may be collected by the student at the end of that school day. The confiscation will be recorded by the office and a text message sent home to inform the parent that this has happened. If the phone is confiscated during period 5, the teacher will use 'on call' to get the phone to the school office to be collected at the end of the day. A student log of all confiscated phones will be kept by office staff.

Stage 2:

If a student has a phone confiscated for a second time, the same process as in 1) above is invoked but additionally the student will be required to hand in their phone at the office for the whole of the following day. Once again the confiscation will be logged and a text message sent home indicating that a final warning has been issued to the student about mobile phone misuse.

Stage 3:

If a student has a phone confiscated for a third time the same process as in 2) will be invoked **and at this point the parent will be contacted by telephone and the student will be BANNED from bringing a mobile to school until further notice. An after-school detention would be issued as standard as well as the possibility of further sanctions**. If a student was to defy this ban, it would be viewed very seriously, parents would be asked into school for a meeting and the situation dealt with by our existing behaviour management sanctions. [Updated April 18](#)

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