

# Mobile/Electronic Devices Policy - July 2019

### **Purpose**

- 1. To ensure the school position on Mobile/Electronic Devices is clear and transparent.
- 2. To ensure that staff, students and parents are fully conversant with the policy and understand the reasons for the policy.
- 3. To support our behaviour management policy, which aims for outstanding behaviour and safety of students across the school.
- 4. To safeguard the safety of our students, staff and visitors.
- 5. To create an environment which students are not overly reliant on mobile/electronic technology during the school day.

### Guidelines

- 1. Mobile/Electronic Devices must remain switched off and in bags/lockers during the school day\* on school grounds both inside and outside the school buildings. Mobile/Electronic Devices must not be in blazers, trousers etc even when switched off.
- 2. Personal accessory technologies must not be connected e.g. smart watches should be on flight mode or equivalent, headphones (wired or otherwise) should not be worn at any time.
- 3. Any student seen using their Mobile/Electronic Devices and/or accessory technologies within the school grounds, during the school day, will be subject to school consequences (see below.)
- 4. Any communication required during the school day between parents/carers and their children must be done through school reception.
- 5. E-Safety breaches involving Mobile/Electronic Devices e.g. recording images or cyber bullying, will result in sanctions as outlined in the E-Safety Policy.
- 6. Students can use their Mobile/Electronic Devices after the school day has ended other than in detentions/catch-up lessons.
- 7. This Policy will be reviewed at the end of the Academic Year 2019-20.
- \* School day defined for this purpose as from the point of arrival on school grounds at any time, up to the end of school bell at 3.05.

## Consequences

### 1<sup>st</sup> Offence

Mobile/Electronic Devices and/or accessory technologies will be confiscated and immediately bagged, labelled and sent to the school office for secure storage.

A C4 will be issued.

Mobile/Electronic Devices will be returned at the end of the school day.

#### **Further Offences**

Mobile/Electronic Devices and/or accessory technologies will be confiscated and immediately bagged, labelled and sent to the school office for secure storage.

Appropriate consequences for not following instructions will be issued.

Mobile/Electronic Devices and/or accessory technologies will be kept securely until a senior leader can meet with a parent or carer.