

Stoke Prior Primary School



Stoke Prior Primary School Mobile Phone Policy SPR 12

1. Core Principle

- **All** Pupils are **prohibited** from using mobile phones or smartwatches on school premises under any circumstances.
- This policy could be reviewed for the purposes of where a mobile device may be used to assist with a medical condition.
- Any child that brings a device to school will leave with the class teacher until the end of the day. We advise that children should not bring devices to school.

2. Smartwatches and Wearable Tech

- Devices with independent cellular capabilities, cameras, or messaging features (e.g., Apple Watch, VTech smartwatches) are **treated in the same way as mobile phones**.
- Basic digital or analogue wristwatches used solely for telling the time are permitted.

3. Misuse and Confiscation

- Any phone or smartwatch seen or heard in school will be confiscated by staff immediately.
- Confiscated items will be returned to parents.

4. School Liability

- The school accepts no responsibility for loss, theft, or damage to mobile phones brought onto the property.
- Pupils bring permitted devices entirely at their own and their parents' risk.

5. Adult and Visitor Usage

- Staff and volunteers may not use mobile phones in classrooms when children are present or being taught. They should not be out on desks.
- If a member of staff needs access to a personal phone during lessons they should make SLT aware. (for reasons such as family emergencies or potential medical appointments)

- It is permissible for staff to take mobile phones to Forest School and school trips for emergency use.

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A Friendly Reminder: Children at Stoke Prior Primary School have never used phones in at school.

Our Mobile Phone Policy

To help keep our children focused, safe, and enjoying their time together, we want to remind everyone about our school mobile phone rules:

- **At Stoke Prior Primary School** Children should not bring mobile phones or smartwatches to school at all.
- **Smartwatches:** Any wearable devices that can send messages or take photos are not allowed in school.
- Any exemptions to this policy (including using mobile devices for medical reasons) should be discussed with Mr Lewis. If children accidentally bring them to school they should give them to their teacher who will return it to parents at the end of the day. Thank you so much for working with us to keep our school a chatty, active, and screen-free environment!