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OFF AND AWAY

All mobile phones will be switched off and left in students bags or lockers during the day. Headphones are also to be put away.



POLICY EXCEPTIONS

There may be students who have a medical, wellbeing or learning need which will require them to access a mobile phone as defined in this plan. Teachers may give permission to use mobile phones for an approved learning activity.



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BREAK TIMES

Use break times to socialise with peers and activity outside of the classroom. If necessary, students can access their phones briefly for urgent calls or messages during this time.



INAPPROPRIATE USE

Students in breach of the policy will have their device confiscated, a meeting with the School Executive and may receive a formal caution or suspension.



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INAPPROPRIATE USE

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FIRST INCIDENT

Student referred to Deputy Principal and the phone will be confiscated for the remainder of the day. Students must collect their phones at the conclusion of the day. The student will receive a verbal warning from the Deputy and Parent(s) will be notified

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SECOND INCIDENT

Mobile phone will be confiscated by Deputy Principal. Parent and or Guardian will be notified, and the phone will only be released to the Parent or Guardian. Parent must meet with the Deputy Principal or Principal. Student issued a formal caution of suspension.

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THIRD INCIDENT

Same procedure as first incident followed by interview with Principal and suspension.

Parents and or Carers formally notified as part of the suspension process.