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Mobile Phones

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

There has been growing concern regarding some students' use of mobile phones at school, both in the classroom and playground. The devices and phones are causing disruption to the learning environment and are stopping some children from learning.

The Department of Education bans the use mobile phones for all students from the time they arrive to the conclusion of the school day unless an exemption has been granted. We have spoken to the children about the use of mobile phones at school and the potential consequences associated.

Children are encouraged to leave their devices at home however, understand that some children may need a phone for communication before and after school. All children will be expected to hand their phones into the office upon arriving at school. They will be signed in and out by the child. The phones will be stored in a locked cupboard in the office.

There is no need for children to use a mobile phone throughout the school day and all children will be able to contact their parents if they are sick or need collecting. This contact can be made through the front office and teachers will send children to the office when needed. Parents also need to call the office if they wish to communicate with their child.

All children will be reminded daily, to sign their devices in. If a phone is not signed in at the office, parents will be called to collect the phone. The phone will remain in the school safe until a parent or guardian collects the phone.

I thank parents for their understanding and support with this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss. Feedback is always welcomed.

Kind regards,

Tara Schmidt
Principal
1st March 2023