



Mobile Phone Policy

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Policy

The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for a medical or teacher directed educational purpose.

Our School recognises that an increasing number of parents/carers who for safety, security and/or emergency purposes wish to provide their children with mobile phones. This policy details the conditions under which mobile phones are permitted at Kalamunda Primary School.

Conditions of Use

- The use of mobile phones for all students will be banned from the time they arrive at school to the conclusion of the school day. This includes before school and at break times. Students are not permitted to have mobile phones in their possession during the school day.
- Mobile phones must be switched off and stored in student bags.
- Head phones and ear buds are also not permitted unless being used for an educational purpose

Exemptions and Communication

- Exemptions to this ban include where a student requires a mobile phone:
 - to monitor a health condition as part of a school approved documented health care plan; or
 - under the direct instruction of a teacher for educational purposes; or with permission of a teacher for a specified purpose.
- Smart watches must be in 'aeroplane mode' so telephone calls and messages cannot be sent or received during the school day.
- While at Kalamunda Primary School, students are the responsibility of the school. All communication between parents and students, during school hours, should occur via the school's administration.
- Where a student has been granted an exemption, the mobile phone can be used by the student, however its use must be monitored by school staff and then stored in their school bag when not in use.

Breaches of this Policy

- Breaches of this policy will be managed in accordance with the *School Behaviour Management Policy and Procedures*.

Students who do not comply with this policy will have their mobile phone confiscated and held at the administration office. The parent/carer will be informed and requested to collect the mobile phone at the end of the school day.