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***Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices Policy***

Schools make reasonable rules about what students can and cannot bring to school. They can ban anything that is illegal, dangerous or is likely to cause disruption or harm to the smooth running of the school and the education of other students.

The use of mobile phones and other electronic devices in class is disruptive to the learning environment of all students and should be discouraged. Students who need these devices for communication to and from school need to adhere to the below agreed policy guidelines.

*Agreed principles of an effective Electronic Devices policy*

1. Learning in the classroom should not be affected by electronic devices such as iPods, mobile phones and cameras/video cameras or other personal electronic devices.
2. Advice to students about the safe online practices and the possible consequences associated with inappropriate use are addressed through our ‘Cyber Safety’ health program.
3. The school will not be responsible for loss, theft or damage of any electronic device.

*Agreed policy guidelines*

1. Electronic devices to be handed to the classroom teacher and placed in a named, sealed zip-lock bag in the morning. It is the responsibility of the student to hand the device in each morning.
2. All electronic devices taken by a designated LSA to the front office to be placed in the safe.
3. No electronic devices such as iPods, mobile phones, cameras or video cameras are to be in the classroom or bag area during school hours (9-3).
4. All electronic devices collected by the LSA in the afternoon and handed to students at home time.

*Consequences of policy breach*

Students will follow the shared classroom matrix expectations of responsible use of resources, and the appropriate consequences aligned with the PBL menu of consequences for minor/major behaviours.

Before the application of consequences teachers *may* choose to implement a reasonable warning in line with a consistent classroom management policy.

1. First instance – reasonable warning in line with consistent classroom practice. Electronic device sent to the front office to place in the safe for the duration of the day.
2. Second instance – Same as above and a phone call home to discuss the breach of policy.
3. Third instance – meeting with parents requested and parents/carers to pick device up from the front office.

***Mobile technology used inappropriately to contact, film or harass students, staff or community members will be confiscated immediately and parents/carers will be contacted to collect the device.***

***Mobile Phone and Electronic Device Flow Chart***