



## MOBILE PHONE POLICY:

### **Rationale:**

Mobile phones are important modern day communication tools, however they can easily be improperly used, lost or damaged and must therefore be effectively managed.

### **Aims:**

To utilise the benefits of mobile phones whilst managing the problems they can potentially cause.

### **Implementation:**

- The school will purchase and maintain enough mobile telephones and service contracts to satisfy its needs
- Teachers in charge of all excursions and trips involving students are required to sign for them in the borrowing register, main office.
- Students are not to use the school's mobile phones without permission directly from the teacher in charge.
- **Students are strongly discouraged from bringing personal mobile phones to school.** However it is acknowledged that for some designated travel training programs appropriate use of mobile phones will be considered and directed by a staff member.
- Permission for the use of personal mobile phones should therefore be sought from the Principal for these specified cases and the phone number registered at the office. These numbers will be confidential.
- **Mobile phones must not be used during school hours, and therefore students will be requested to hand them to their classroom teachers for secure storage and collected at the end of the school day.**
- Students misusing mobile phones at school or causing a nuisance will be brought to the attention of the Principal.

- The school does not accept responsibility for lost or damaged mobile phones.
- Misuse of a mobile phone at school will result in the loss of privilege to bring it to school.

**If a parent needs to contact a child during school hours this must be done through the school office on 51271744 and a message can be passed on.**