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Mobile phone policy overview

Impact of mobile phones in school

The three most common negative impacts when phones are used in schools are;

- Regular distraction from learning
- Disruption to classes
- Bullying

Following our learning community consultation there is overwhelming support to combat the negative influence and impact of mobile phones within our school.

It is always our aim to ensure all classrooms and faculties are productive learning environments where students can be free to focus on their learning without unnecessary distractions.

The following information sets out the policy and practice for mobile phones within Lornshill Academy.

Contacting your child

If a parent or carer requires to contact their child during the school day (whilst in lessons or travelling to lessons), then please contact the school office who will arrange the appropriate steps to be put in place.

We would ask all parents and carers to refrain from contacting and or messaging during class time as it severely impacts the learning of all pupils within that class.





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How we deal with misuse

All incidents of misuse are recorded centrally and reviewed by the wider leadership team on a weekly basis. Where there is an instance of misuse staff may;

- Speak to the young person to prevent future misuse
- Confiscate the device to be returned at the end of the school day
- Arrange for mobile device to be handed in each day
- Arrange a meeting with home

All incidents of misuse are treated as a failure to follow staff instructions.

Medical/Health

We have a small number of young people who require access to their mobile devices to manage their health. These young people are well known to their teachers. Access is managed appropriately to prevent disruption to learning.

The school will review the status of all restricted mobile device arrangements on a regular basis and correspond with those concerned with regard to these reviews.

Pupils should;

- ✓ Ensure mobile phones are switched off and secured safely in their school bag during classes and class change-overs.
- ✓ Keep their own mobile phone at all times (do not share with other pupils).
- ✓ Follow staff instructions first time

