



# Kings Park Primary School

## **Mobile Phone Policy**

This policy provides the guidelines for the care and use of any electronic communication device, including mobile phones/smartwatches/game controllers/etc, by students at Kings Park Primary School.

Children's safety is our first priority and we acknowledge how important it is for parents to feel that their child is safe, not only at school but in their travels to and from. Access to mobile phones is a facility some parents of primary age children wish to provide so that children could make contact with them if ever an emergency did arise. Whilst at school however, the use of mobile phones is not required or permitted. During these hours, parents and students have access to each other whenever required through the front office. Parents are able to ring and get messages to children to alter plans or to ensure their safety in cases of family emergency. If a student does have a mobile phone on their way to and from school it is not to be used on school property.

## **Guidelines**

- Students carrying a mobile phone must have written consent from a parent/guardian to bring it to school and it should be handed in to the office to be collected after school.
- Students found with phones without approval will have their phone confiscated and parents will need to come to the school and collect the phone.
- Smart watches or devices with a camera, must remain off, not just on silent, during school times.
- The school accepts no responsibility for the theft, breakage or loss of devices.
- Students who attend school camps or excursions will not be permitted to take phones or smart watches with them. Teachers carry phones which can be used in cases of emergency.
- The principal may revoke a student's permission to bring a mobile phone to school if it has been used inappropriately before or after school. (eg: taking photos or videos) Parents please note: This policy will be discussed carefully with all students to ensure they have full understanding of the requirements.

## **REVIEW CYCLE**

This policy was last updated in February 2020 and is scheduled for review on February 2021. This policy will also be updated more often if necessary due to changes in regulations or circumstances.