

Learning Accord Multi Academy Trust

Mobile Phone Policy



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ST JOHN'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

MOBILE PHONE POLICY

St John's CE Primary School is a mobile phone-free environment and follows current Department for Education guidance regarding the use of mobile phones in schools. We actively discourage pupils from having mobile phones whilst attending primary school and will continue to challenge the expectation that bringing a phone to school is normal.

We recognise that there may be exceptional circumstances where it is necessary for a pupil to bring a mobile phone to school. In these circumstances, both the pupil and parent/carer must complete and sign the Mobile Phone Agreement before the phone is brought onto the school site.

Our Mobile Phone Rules

- All pupils bringing a phone into school must have a valid reason and a signed Mobile Phone Agreement in place.
- Any mobile phone brought into school without permission may be confiscated and returned only to a parent/carer.
- All phones must be switched off and handed to the school office, stored in the agreed secure location for the duration of the school day.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for loss, theft or damage to mobile phones brought onto the premises.
- The school will educate pupils about online safety, but parents/carers retain primary responsibility for safe use outside school.
- Pupils must not take photographs or videos of others without permission.
- Any inappropriate or unauthorised use of a mobile phone in school will result in confiscation.
- The school reserves the right to search for a mobile phone where appropriate and lawful.
- Pupils who fail to follow these rules may lose permission to bring a phone into school.
- Mobile phones are not permitted on educational visits or residentials unless specifically authorised by the Headteacher.
- Smart watches are only allowed into school if the camera recording and messaging facilities are disabled.

Mobile Phone Agreement

Name of Child: _____

Year Group and Class: _____

Date(s) phone is needed in school: _____

Reason for needing a mobile phone in school:

Please explain if this is a one-off or recurring need:

Parent/Carer: I confirm that I have explained the school rules regarding mobile phones to my child and agree to these arrangements. If the phone is misused or brought into school without permission, it may be confiscated until collected by a parent/carers.

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Pupil: I understand and agree to follow the St John's CE Primary School Mobile Phone Rules.

Pupil Signature: _____ Date: _____