



**HENDON** PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Personal Mobile Device Policy

The Department for Education policy is that primary aged **students cannot use their mobile phones and personal devices at school during school hours**. The department and the school recognise that there are legitimate reasons for students to bring a mobile phone or personal device to school. This may include:

- To ensure their safety while travelling.
- So that parents can contact them outside of school hours.

If students have a mobile phone or personal device for the above reasons they will not be permitted to access or use them on school grounds. Additionally they must not be taken on school excursions unless negotiated with the teacher. Devices include but are not limited to mobile phones and smart phones, smart watches, iPads and tablets, other digital devices with the capability of connecting to a cellular network or internet or both.

### Storage of personal devices

If you require your child to bring a phone or personal device to school they will need to:

- Keep the device turned off during the school day.
- Keep the device in their school bag.

### Students

- School consequences will apply if students do not follow the mobile device rules.
- Devices may be confiscated if they are being misused until they can be collected by a parent.

### Parents

- Support their child to use their mobile phone (or other personal device) in a safe, responsible and respectful way.
- Reinforce the school's policy with their child.
- Communicate directly with the front office for any urgent communication.

**The school is not liable for any damage or loss of mobile devices.**

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