



Mobile Phones & Smart Watches

Thornlie Primary School

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Student Mobile Phones in Public Schools policy to take effect from the start of Term 1, 2020.

MOBILE PHONES

Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are not permitted to have mobile phones in their possession during the school day.

NB: *The policy requires all public schools to implement a ban on the use of mobile phones for all students from the time they arrive at school to the end of the school day. This extends to the use of smart watches which need to be on aeroplane mode during this period.*

Phones need to be handed to a staff member in the front office or IEC office for safe storage.

It is the student's responsibility to collect the phone at the end of the school day.

EXEMPTIONS

Unless the student has been granted an exemption for the following uses of mobile phones:

- to monitor a health condition as part of a school approved documented health care plan; or
- for a particular educational purpose under the direct instruction of a teacher; or
- with permission of a teacher for a specified purpose.

CONSEQUENCES

Students failing to observe the mobile phone procedure will receive a warning for the first offence. Subsequent offences will be managed using the current Behaviour Management Policy and at the Principal's discretion.

COMMUNICATION

A copy of the policy is made available to all parents and the carers through the school's website.

Effective: February 3rd 2020