



DORMSTON SCHOOL

Mobile Phone Policy

Pupils are not permitted to carry or use mobile phones within the School

- ✓ the school places great importance on the well being and safety of all individuals;
- ✓ mobile phones can be used to support bullying through the use of text messaging and videoing;
- ✓ learning is our priority and the use of mobile phones in school can also interfere with successful teaching and learning;
- ✓ pupils wishing to carry a mobile phone to and from school for their personal safety should **leave their phone in pupil reception before 8.45am and then collect it at 3.10pm;**
- ✓ it is the responsibility of the pupil to keep their phone token safe. The school will not take responsibility for any circumstances resulting from the loss of this token;
- ✓ any child caught using a mobile phone during the school day **or before or after the school day whilst still on the school site, this includes being directly outside the school** will have their phone confiscated. The mobile phone will be handed in to main reception for safe keeping by a member of staff. **The phone will be returned to parents/carers only.**
- ✓ any child caught using a mobile phone during the school day having already had their phone confiscated on **one** prior occasion will have their phone confiscated for the duration of **one week.** **The phone will be returned to parents/carers only.**
- ✓ when any incident of mobile phone use interferes with teaching and learning, further sanctions will be applied;
- ✓ the school will not deal with incidents where mobile phones have been lost or stolen (and the above guidelines have not been followed);
- ✓ parents/carers and pupils should be aware that any mobile phone or electronic device used during an exam situation will disqualify the candidate from that exam and could jeopardise future exams;
- ✓ JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) considers mobile phone use in examinations an 'offence' that could cause 'disqualification from the whole qualification or from all qualifications taken in that series'.

Name of Pupil:

Signed:

Dated:.....