



# MOBILE PHONE POLICY



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## Key information

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The school discourages children from bringing mobile phones into school, but recognises that there may be occasions when a parent and child may find their use helpful in cases of emergency.

The school will not take any responsibility for the loss, theft or damage of any mobile phone or similar device brought onto the school site. Pupils who bring mobile phones or any other electronic devices into school do so at their own risk.

### **Usage**

The use of mobile phones should be restricted to calls made out of school hours.

Pupils must keep mobile phones in their bag and keep them switched off whilst in the school classroom. If a mobile phone is switched on and disrupts a lesson, it may be confiscated and kept until a parent collects it. The parent will be informed of this during that day.

### **Text Messages and photos**

Inappropriate text messages and photos sent with the intention of causing emotional harm to the recipient will not be tolerated and will be dealt with in adherence to the Greek Community School of Newcastle's Antibullying Policy.

### **Usage off site**

The school recognises that after the end of the school day there may be occasions for health and safety reasons when a child may wish to contact a parent. Similarly, where parents need to make contact a text message may be sent to the pupil's mobile phone, however, this will not be accessible until the child has left the school classroom.

### **For emergencies**

Parents can call teachers or a member of the School Board and vice versa in the event of an emergency.