

BROWNLEE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Mobile Phone Policy 2017-2018

This policy was adopted by the Board of Governors in January 2018

It will be reviewed by the Board of Governors in September 2020 or at such times as new guidance becomes available or relevant legislation is passed.

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While we fully appreciate a parent's right to allow their child to bring a mobile phone to school, we would therefore like to draw your attention to the following points:

1) Overall Guidance

Mobiles should not be used on school premises and must be kept switched off until the school day ends and kept in a secure location by the class teacher. Parents must inform the teacher, preferably in writing before a child is allowed to bring a mobile phone to school. This arrangement is primarily for children who walk home from school.

Should your child need to make an emergency phone call, this will be done through the school office. If you need to contact your child, please phone the school office. If a mobile phone is being stored securely it will be returned to the child at the end of the day.

2) Child Protection Issues

Please talk to your child about mobile phone use, especially who is entitled to use his/her mobile number, as text messages can often be used to bully pupils. Your child should not allow others to programme the phone numbers of unknown individuals into the phone.

3) Staff Mobile Phones

Mobile phones should not be used during teaching time in class or during periods of supervision. Calls or text messages being received by the teacher or classroom assistant during class time can be very distracting for the children so all phones should either be left in the staff room or remain switched off until an appropriate time such as break or lunch.