

## **MOBILE TECHNOLOGY POLICY**

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## **Mobile Technology**

Students are not allowed to use mobile technology, including phone and ipods in teaching areas or on the corridors. The mobile technology should not be on view in these areas. No "final warnings" will be given – member of staff will confiscate the item and return it at the end of the school day.

Assistance will be given if students initially refuse – students will not be allowed to refuse to handover. Staff must email the relevant HOY. If a student's item of technology has been confiscated for a third time, then it will only be handed back to a parent/carer. Sanctions will be issued to students who refuse to comply immediately.

- Year 11 students are allowed to use their mobile technology in their canteen and in their designated space at breaks and lunchtimes
- Year 10 students are allowed to use their mobile technology in the designated KS4 area at breaks and lunchtimes and at the end of the school year in the year 11 canteen when they are allocated that space
- KS3 students are not allowed to use their mobile technology on the school site
- Smartwatches are not allowed in school in years 7 to 11
- Years 12 and 13 are allowed to use their mobile technology within the Sixth Form building
- Photos and videos are not allowed to be taken at any time
- We will need to be consistent in applying this policy so our students know where they stand and all colleagues are supported
- People on duty at break / lunch will need to ensure students are correctly dressed (ear pieces etc) and phones away before they leave the canteen or come into the school building from outside (KS4 only)
- Parents/carers are reminded that we are not responsible for the loss /damage to any confiscated items. All staff will be

fully supported if there is an issue regarding e.g. loss of confiscated item from a member of staff's drawer

• Students will not be given permission to listen to their own music in lessons e.g. whilst completing coursework. This does create problems elsewhere for colleagues

Please refer to the ICT e-Safety Policy for the use of internet access via 4G