



Using Mobile Devices in School

Mobile devices are very powerful tools that can help you in your learning, make sure you use them positively and responsibly. If you are found do be misusing your device in school the following rules and sanctions will be applied:

General Warning

All students have been informed on several occasions that their mobile devices should be switched off and put away unless a member of staff gives you permission to use them in the lesson. If a phone then accidentally goes off in lesson a further warning will be issued to the individual and group but no further action taken unless it happens again.

Sanction Level 1 – First Offence

Any student who is caught breaking the AUP agreement will have their phone taken off them by the member of staff and it will be placed in the School Office until the end of the School day. The student can collect it at 3.15pm and a text will be sent home.

Sanction Level 2 – Second Offence

Any student who is caught breaking the AUP agreement again will have their phone taken off them by the member of staff and it will be placed in the safe in the School Office until parents collect it. Parents will be informed by text that their son/daughter is now banned from bringing in their mobile device for 2 weeks.

Sanction Level 3 – Repeat Offences

Any student who is caught repeatedly breaking the AUP agreement will have their phone taken off them by the member of staff and it will be placed in the School Office for parental collection. Parents will be informed by text and requested to make an appointment with the HOY to discuss the persistent disregard for the AUP which will effectively be cancelled whilst a longer ban is imposed.

Sanction Level 4 – Serious Offences

Any offense deemed as serious by Senior Staff – such as video/pictures of class situations, taking or posting inappropriate images to each other or onto the Internet etc – are likely to result in suspension, bans on mobile device use, and even being reported to the Police. These incidents will be judged on a case-by-case basis. Parents will be informed by telephone.

If a student refuses to hand over their mobile device to a teacher they will be sent to a senior member of staff. A refusal to hand over the device to Senior staff will result in a suspension.

