



Pupil Mobile Phone Policy

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Introduction

- At Niels Academy, we recognise that mobile phones and other internet-enabled devices are part of everyday life for many children and that they can play an important role in helping pupils to feel safe and secure. However, mobile devices are capable of more than simply helping a child get in touch with parents at the end of the day. Therefore, it is important that parents understand the capabilities of any phone/device and the potential use and mis-use of those capabilities.

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- Pupils are strongly discouraged from bringing their mobile phones into school as these are expensive items. However, for those parents who wish for their children to bring in their phones because they walk to and from school on their own (children in Y5 and Y6 only), then the following procedure **must be followed**:
- All pupil mobile phones must be switched off and handed into the class teacher at the start of the school day. These will be available for collection at the end of the school day.
- Any pupils who are found to have a mobile phone in class or on the school playground will have the phone confiscated by the Leadership Team. This will then be returned to a responsible adult at the discretion of the principal.
- Please note – school will not be liable for any loss or damage to mobile phones that are brought onto the school premises.