

Mobile Phone Guidelines



Beaumaris
Primary School



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Rationale

Beaumaris Primary School values its learning environment. The Department of Education (DoE) does **not** permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose. The full DoE policy can be found [here](#).

Purpose

New personal technologies often impose new challenges for both school and students. The aim of this Guideline is to minimise intrusion and associated misbehaviour, bullying and theft involving mobile phones/smart devices.

Broad Guideline

Communication to parents or care givers during school time of all issues relating to all students is the responsibility of the school and will be managed by the school. Mobile phones can be an effective means of communication between parents and their children before and after school hours.

While there may exist a need for students to carry a mobile phone on school premises, their use is to be governed as per the guidelines. Mobile phones are also a medium for bullying and inappropriate usage and as such will be strictly controlled within the school environment, as per the guidelines.

Guidelines for students having a mobile phone on the school premises:

1. Sole responsibility for phone security lies with the owner of the phone.
2. Phones are to remain 'turned off' and secured in lock boxes in classrooms, unless otherwise advised by class teachers.
3. Phones used, without consent, during school time may be confiscated and be available for collection, by the student, from the office at the end of the day. Parents will be notified to inform them of the confiscation.