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Mobile Phone Restrictions – Effective Term 4 Parent/Carer Questions & Answers.

1. What if a student does not comply with the mobile phone plan and accesses it at during the school day?

Students will be made aware of all the new school rules ahead of Term 4 and will be required to comply with them. As with all school rules, student refusal will result in appropriate action being taken, in accordance with the school's behaviour code/policy.

2. What if a student needs to make an urgent phone call home?

In an emergency, students will be allowed to call home via the front office or in arrangement with teaching staff or school administration support staff.

3. What if a student with a medical condition requires their phone to record medical information?

If your child has special medical requirements that requires the use of a mobile phone/device, you may apply for an exemption and/or varied terms of use. Please arrange a meeting with the Principal or Deputy Principal to discuss the best options for your child. If appropriate, an individualised plan for usage will be developed. It will consider their medical needs and set the terms and conditions for phone use, that incorporate school guidelines.

4. What if the school goes into lockdown or lockout?

In the case of a lockout or lockdown, you will be notified via text message or email. You can also contact the school via the College Office using the school's contact information available on the website. Exceptions may be made in emergency situations.

5. What happens with mobile phones on excursions?

Mobile phones are permitted to be used during school excursions under the teacher's supervision and in accordance with venue rules. No responsibility will be taken by school or school staff for lost, damaged or stolen phones. Students bring phones at their own risk.

6. What happens with mobile phones during sport?

Exemptions may apply for sporting activities that are held off school grounds. If this is the case, information will be included in the sports activity information and permission form. Otherwise, sporting activities will be considered part of the normal school day and the usual mobile phone restrictions apply.

7. How will the school manage the administration of parent/carers enquiries?

Schools will connect with parents/carers in the usual ways and can be contacted anytime via the College Office.

8. Can students access their phones during private study or minimally supervised periods?

Students will not be permitted to access their phones during these times.

9. What if my child needs to purchase food at the canteen?

Students are encouraged to bring their physical EFTPOS/debit cards to school to enable cashless transactions. However, students will be able to use their phones to enable cashless transactions, they should then put their phones away.

10. What if my child needs to use their phone for classwork?

Students will be permitted to use phones under teacher direction for classwork on occasions. The school also has access to a range of other digital devices that are more suitable and conducive to student learning.

11. What happens if my child is in sick bay and the school has arranged a parent/carer to pick them up?

Students in sick bay are constantly monitored by school staff. Please contact the College Office.

12. Will the school send a message to my child if I need to contact them?

Messages from parents/carers to students should only be of an urgent nature will be passed on as usual.

13. Will my child be allowed to call me?

For matters of an urgent nature, students can request permission to do so from any staff member.

14. Can students use laptops during breaks?

Yes, this plan only covers personal mobile phones. iPads and personal computers used for learning in the classroom are not included.

15. What if my child chooses to leave their phone at home?

There is no requirement to bring a mobile phone or related accessories to school.