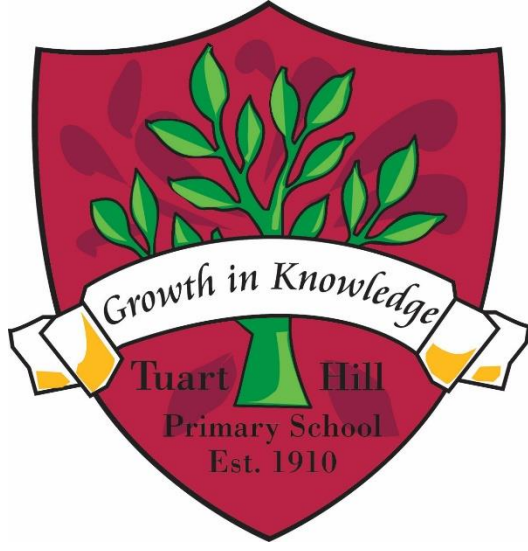


Mobile Phone and Devices



Policy	Update	By Whom	Endorsed
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Rationale

The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose. It is recognised that there are a growing number of students who have a mobile phone for use outside of school hours. As such, the school is required to ensure effective boundaries are in place to minimise the risk of theft and the inappropriate use of mobile phones.

For the purposes of this policy, 'mobile phones' includes smart watches, other electronic communication devices, and associated listening accessories, such as, but not limited to, headphones and ear buds.

Guidelines

We strongly discourage students bringing mobile phones, smart watches and any mobile electronic device that is Wi-Fi enabled to school.

Students who bring a mobile phone to school need to:

1. Ensure the phone is switched off and submitted to the Front Office staff at the start of each day.
2. Collect their phone at the end of the school day.

Students who use a Smart Watch device must:

1. Ensure the Smart Watch is switched to aeroplane mode and submitted to the Front Office staff at the start of each day.
2. Collect their watch at the end of the day.

Any other electronic device (for example tablet, laptop) brought to school must be handed into the Front Office staff at the start of the day, to be collected at the end of the school day.

Students are prohibited from using mobile phones and other electronic devices during camps, excursions and other school related activities. Arrangements are in place for communication with staff members in the case of an emergency.

If a student does not hand in their electronic mobile device, the device will be removed by school staff and a member of the school administration team will contact the parent or carer to arrange for collection of the device.

Tuart Hill Primary School cannot accept any responsibility for theft, loss or damage of mobile phones on school grounds, or as part of official school activities and events.