



WILLIAMS PRIMARY SCHOOL

RESPONSIBLE USE OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND MOBILE PHONES GUIDELINES

Our Vision

Williams Primary School uses proven methodology to promote excellence in a nurturing culture, preparing students socially and academically for an evolving world.

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Responsible Use of Personal Electronic Devices and Mobile Phone Guidelines

Personal Electronic Devices have become an important and invaluable part of our modern lifestyle. The school understands there are times when possession of a Personal Electronic Device is required for parental contact after school hours.

However the unsupervised use of devices in school raises concerns about students' cyber safety with the use of SMS and access to the internet without filter. With devices having the capacity to transmit, photograph, video or record without permission there are significant concerns about individual student's rights to confidentiality and privacy.

To respect the wellbeing, privacy and confidentiality of students in our school we have established the following Guidelines:

Students:

All Personal Electronic Devices including mobile phones capable of transmitting, recording or receiving information must remain turned off and in the students' bag for the duration of the school day.

All Personal Electronic Devices including mobile phones remain the responsibility of the student. The school does not accept responsibility for loss or damage to personal property.

Classroom Staff:

Personal Electronic Devices will remain off or on silent during face to face teaching and instruction time, unless they are being used in the instruction of students. Eg: timer in mathematics

Mobile phones are not to be used while the teacher is on duty or during meetings.

Parents and Visitors:

Parent contact can be made via the school landline and messages passed on through class teacher if necessary.

Parents and visitors are asked to turn phones off or on silent when volunteering in classrooms or attending assemblies.

Personal Electronic Devices found with students will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the day. Parents will be contacted for repeat contraventions.