

Haute Vallee School Mobile phone Policy

1. In general

Whilst mobile phones may be brought into school their use during lessons is not permitted. At all times during lessons mobile phones must be turned off and kept out of sight, preferably in secured lockers.

2. Key Stage 4

The exception to this rule may be granted by the Headteacher in some specified Key Stage 4 lessons, where the use of mobile devices will enhance a specific learning activity. In such cases a formal request to use mobile devices in the classroom must be made in advance by subject leaders directly to the Headteacher.

3.

Before school, at break and lunchtime all students are permitted to use mobile phones but this is restricted to listening to music and playing games only. Under no circumstances must mobile phones be used for messaging, making calls or taking still or moving images during the school day. (between 8.30am – 3.00pm)

Parents are expected to support this policy by refraining from, and discouraging, direct mobile contact with your child during the school day. Parents who need to contact their children as a matter of urgency should contact the main school office so that information can be immediately passed on.

School will not take responsibility in the event of loss or damage to mobile phones or electronic equipment. This is of particular importance during PE lessons in the case of expensive electronic items left in changing rooms (instead of locked in secured lockers).

Mobile telephones and personal electronic equipment used by students without permission during the school day will initially be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of that day.

These items will be handed in and recorded in the School Office for safekeeping and must be signed for on collection.

For repeat offences the device will not be returned to the student but will be held in the school office until collected by a parent/guardian/responsible adult.

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