

School Mobile Phone Contract

At Stoke Hill we recognise that on some occasions parents may think it is helpful for a pupil to bring a mobile phone into school, for instance if they walk unaccompanied to school. Whilst we acknowledge a parent's right to allow their child to bring a mobile phone to school, Stoke Hill discourages pupils from doing this.

If you wish your child to bring a mobile phone to school, you and they must read and sign the contract. Only pupils who have a signed contract will be permitted to bring a phone to school.

Our Pupil Mobile Phone Rules

- Only pupils in year 6 can bring a phone to school and must have a good reason for doing so and must have returned this agreement.
- All mobile phones must be turned off when entering the school site and given to the class teacher on arrival in the classroom.
- Mobile phones will be returned to the pupils at the end of the day and must not be switched on until they have left the school site.
- The school will continue to help pupils learn about how to stay safe online but recognises that the primary responsibility for online safety at home lies with parents/carers. The school will work with all families to help them encourage children to adopt safe use of mobile technology.
- Pupils found to have used mobile phones inappropriately on the way to and from school (unkind or offensive messaging, taking photos or videos without consent) will have their phones taken away and returned to parents at the end of the day.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for damage or loss of a mobile phone brought to school.
- The school has the right to confiscate or search a mobile phone. In the unlikely event of needing to do this, we will endeavour to contact a parent or carer. As part of this agreement your child should agree to unlock the phone if required by a member of the school leadership team.
- Smart Watches are not allowed to be worn to school.
- Pupils who do not follow our mobile phone rules will not be allowed to bring their phones to school.

Yours sincerely

Mr Sullivan Head of School

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This contract must be returned to school if you need to bring your phone onto the school site.

I agree that I will:

- Switch off my phone when I enter the school site and hand it to my teacher when I get into the classroom.
- Not use my phone for any purpose on the school site.
- Not post unkind or offensive comments about other people or take photographs or videos of other people on my way to and from school.

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Child's name:
Child's signature:
Date:
As a parent/carer I have read and shared with my child the mobile phone contract and understand the rules that my child must follow to bring a mobile phone to school. I will continue to support them in staying safe online, adding appropriate parent controls and monitoring their phone regularly.
Parent's name:
Parent's signature
Date:
Parents or carers may wish to look for further advice on www.internetmatters.org which explains how to add some parental controls and offers good advice on how to keep children safe.

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