



Mount Pleasant Primary School Use of Mobile Phones and Smart Devices (including watches) Policy

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The Department of Education does not permit student use of mobile phones in public schools unless for medical or teacher directed educational purpose. Therefore, at Mount Pleasant Primary School, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are not permitted to have mobile phones in their possession during the school day. This is for all students from the time they arrive to the conclusion of the school day (“off and away all day”).

The following exemptions may be granted:

- to monitor a health condition as part of a school approved documented health care plan; or
- for a particular educational purpose under the direct instruction of a teacher; or
- with permission of a teacher for a specified purpose.

Students who bring devices to school are required to either hand them over to the classroom teacher or the office. It is also a requirement that students with smart watches have this device in ‘aeroplane mode’ so phone calls and messages cannot be sent or received during the school day.

Breaches of this policy will be managed in accordance with the Behaviour Management & Preventing and Managing Bullying Policy.

[The school does not accept responsibility for the loss or theft of the device.](#)

If a student fails to hand in the device, by keeping it on their person or concealing it in their desk or bag, and it becomes lost, stolen or damaged, the school will not accept any responsibility for investigating the incident or recovering the device.