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Mobile Phone Policy

The school advises that mobile phones or similar devices should not be brought into school and, if they are, then this is at the owner's risk. The school does not have a site ban on new technologies.

The Canterbury Primary School

Students are not permitted to have phones or electronic devices in school. However, if it is a necessity that a pupil in Upper KS2 has a mobile phone then this must be handed into the teacher at the start of the day and it can be collected at the end of the school day.

The Canterbury Academy and City and Coastal College (Including Riverside)

During lessons, mobile phones (including air pods) must be switched off and placed inside the student's school bag at all times. This includes when visiting the toilet during lessons.

Students are only allowed to use their mobile phones before school, during break, lunch and after school.

When used irresponsibly mobile phones are incredibly disruptive to learning. Therefore, they must be switched off during lessons. If a mobile phone or similar device is used in lessons, then a misuse of mobile phone log will be recorded on Arbor and this will trigger a notification to parents/carers via the Arbor Parent Portal.

Students who receive a log for misuse of mobile phone through Arbor, will receive a 1-day mobile phone ban.

If the misuse of a mobile phone happens repeatedly, these devices will be confiscated for an extended period.

Sixth Form

In the Sixth Form, mobile phones and earphones (including air pods) are not to be used during lessons, **unless** authorised by the class teacher.

If a mobile phone or similar device is used without permission in lessons, then a misuse of mobile phone log will be recorded on Arbor. This will trigger a notification to parents via the Arbor Parent Portal.

If the misuse of a mobile phone happens repeatedly, the student will be banned from using their mobile phone in lessons and parents/carers will be required to attend a meeting with the Head of Ethos/Head of Sixth Form.

Note: Referrals to pupils/students/child within the policy covers all young people within our care this may on occasions include students from other schools and in the community

Cyber Bullying & Electronic Harassment

Please note that 'cyber bullying' and 'electronic harassment' of any form will be taken very seriously and can be reported to the police. If a mobile device is being used for this, it will be confiscated and returned only to the parent/carer and will be dealt with in line with the school behaviour policy.

Photographing or filming of staff and students without permission is not permitted. Photographing or filming any incident which could then cause offence or which could bring the school into disrepute is unacceptable and will be dealt with in line with the school behaviour policy.

The school will not accept responsibility should any item be lost, stolen or damaged.

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