



MOBILE PHONE POLICY

Pupils must have their mobile phone switched off and should not be on display at any time in the classroom.

The only exception would be if the class teacher requires phones to be used as an aspect of the lesson.

If a phone has to be removed from a pupil, it will be sent to the office for collection at the end of the school day.

Pupils cannot take their phone with them to the toilet: it must remain in class.

Pupils must have mobile phones and headphones put away between classes as they move between periods from class to class.

Pupils have the freedom to use their phone safely and responsibly in school before P1, and during morning interval and lunchtime.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

What happens if my phone is confiscated?

Stored securely in the office. You must sign out your phone once you collect it at the end of the day.

Why must my phone be collected by a parent or guardian if it has been confiscated three times?

Teachers have agreed that collection by parents would ensure an awareness of the item which is disruptive to learning and safety within school.

I am expecting an important call or text. What should I do?

Text messages do not need to be responded to immediately and can wait until break or lunchtime. Phone calls shouldn't be received in class as they disrupt learning of all. If an important message must reach a pupil, then this should go through the school's office so that they are made aware. This has always been the case.

There is speculation of a total ban of mobile phones in schools. Is this going to happen at Lochaber High School?

There are no plans for a total ban on mobile phones in this school. The current rules are in place to encourage responsible use of mobile phones.

Are there any exceptions to the rules?

In very particular instances mobile phones may be permitted to be used. This will be agreed with parents and your tutor support teacher. Teachers will be informed of the exemption and the circumstances. Exceptions are rare.