



Winhills Primary Academy Mobile Phone Contract

Winhills Primary Academy recognises that on some occasions it may be helpful for a pupil to bring a mobile phone into school, for instance, if a child walks to school unaccompanied.

We believe that pupil use of a mobile phone during the school day can be disruptive and this agreement outlines how pupil phones will be managed within our school.

Our Pupil Mobile Phone Rules:

- All pupils bringing a phone into school must have a good reason for doing so, and must have returned this agreement signed by a parent/carer.
- The school will help pupils to learn about staying safe online, but the primary responsibility for online safety at home lies with parents/carers. The school will seek to work with families to help them to encourage pupils to adopt safe use of mobile technology.
- All phones must be turned off before entering the school site.
- All mobile phones must be handed into the school office before pupils enter the playground. They will be kept securely in the office during the school day.
- Mobile phones will be returned to pupils, by their class teacher, at the end of the school day.
- Pupils must not take photographs or videos of people without asking and must never take them on the way into or out of school. This is because some pupils are not allowed to have their picture taken.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for damage or loss of a mobile phone brought into school.
- The school has the right to confiscate a mobile phone if the above rules are not kept to. In the unlikely event of needing to do this, we will contact a parent or carer to collect the phone.

Pupils not following these rules will not be allowed to bring a phone into school. Any phone brought in without permission will be confiscated and only returned to a parent or carer.

Parents should look at the advice on www.internetmatters.org which explains how to add some parental controls to a mobile phone and gives advice on how to keep children safe.

Please sign and return the agreement attached if you want your child to bring a mobile phone to school

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Nicola Harradine

Head Teacher



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Name of Child _____ Class _____

Reason for needing a mobile phone in school _____

Parent/Carer: **I confirm that I have explained the school rules regarding mobile phones to my child and confirm that they may take a mobile phone into school on that basis.**

Parent/Carer signature _____ Date _____

Pupil: **I will follow the school mobile phone rules.**

Pupil signature _____ Date _____

Our school online safety Lead is Mrs Culver. Please feel free to contact her if you have any concerns regarding online safety.