

MOBILE PHONE POLICY

At Luddenden CE School, our Christian vision of **Excellence through Equity, Inclusion and Love** underpins everything we do. Our core values of **Respect, Love, Trust, Friendship, Endurance and Compassion** guide the way we learn, work and care for one another as a school family.

As part of our commitment to creating a safe, inclusive and focused learning environment, Luddenden CE School is a mobile phone-free school and follows current Department for Education guidance regarding the use of mobile phones in schools. We actively discourage pupils from bringing mobile phones to primary school and seek to promote positive relationships, wellbeing and engagement in learning without the distractions that mobile devices can create.

We recognise that, in exceptional circumstances, a pupil may need to bring a mobile phone to school. In such cases, parents/carers and pupils must complete and sign the school's **Mobile Phone Agreement** before a phone is brought onto the school site.

By working together in a spirit of trust and mutual respect, we can ensure that all children benefit from a safe and supportive environment where they are able to thrive academically, socially and emotionally.

Our Mobile Phone Rules

- All pupils bringing a phone into school must have a valid reason and agree to the mobile phone policy.
- Any mobile phone brought into school without permission may be confiscated and returned only to a parent/carer.
- All phones must be switched off and handed to the class teacher or stored in the agreed secure location for the duration of the school day.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for loss, theft or damage to mobile phones brought onto the premises.
- The school will educate pupils about online safety, but parents/carers retain primary responsibility for safe use outside school.
- Pupils must not take photographs or videos of others without permission.
- Any inappropriate or unauthorised use of a mobile phone in school will result in confiscation.
- The school reserves the right to search for a mobile phone where appropriate and lawful.
- Pupils who fail to follow these rules may lose permission to bring a phone into school.
- Mobile phones are not permitted on educational visits or residentials unless specifically authorised by the Headteacher.

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PUPIL MOBILE PHONE AGREEMENT

Pupil/s Name			
Parent/Carer Name			
By signing this agreement, we understand and agree that:			
1. The mobile phone is brought to school only with the permission of the Headteacher or delegated member of staff. 2. The phone must be switched off (not on silent mode) and handed to the school office or class teacher immediately upon arrival at school. 3. The phone will be securely stored by the school during the school day. 4. The phone may be collected from the school office at the end of the school day unless alternative arrangements have been agreed. 5. The phone must not be used on the school site, including during before-school or after-school activities, unless specifically authorised by a member of staff. 6. The phone must not be used to take photographs, record audio, film videos, access social media, send messages, take or receive calls, or access the internet whilst on the school site. 7. The pupil remains responsible for their phone when travelling to and from school. 8. The school accepts no liability for the loss, theft or damage of a mobile phone, although reasonable care will be taken whilst it is stored by the school. 9. Failure to comply with this agreement may result in permission to bring a mobile phone to school being withdrawn.			
DECLARATION			
We have read and understood the school's Mobile Phone Policy and agree to comply with the conditions set out above.			
Parent/Carer Signature:		Authorised Staff Member:	
Date:		Date:	