

MANOR ROAD PRIMARY SCHOOL



**CHILDREN'S USE OF
MOBILE PHONES, DEVICES
AND SMART WATCHES
POLICY**

November 2023





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Children's Use of Mobile Phones / Devices / Smart Watch Policy

At Manor Road Primary School, children in Year 5 and Year 6 will be permitted to bring a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school, where parents/carers are in agreement, where possession of a mobile phone or Smart Watch would be of significant and demonstrable benefit to the child, and on submission of the request for permission form (see Appendix 1) either as a paper copy or via ParentMail Forms.

Children in classes from Reception – Year 4 are not permitted to bring a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school.

Mobile phones or Smart Watches, where brought into school or Out of School Club, will be the sole responsibility of the child concerned and the school will accept no responsibility for any subsequent damage or loss.

Mobile phones must be switched off when entering the school grounds, and handed to the Club Leader on entry into Out of School Club or the class teacher on entry into school and will not be allowed to be used during the school day. They must not be switched on again at any time whilst on school grounds.

Smart Watches may be worn providing they are being used as normal watches and for no other function beyond telling the time.

Any child found to be inappropriately using a mobile phone or Smart Watch will have their device confiscated and kept by the school until appropriate arrangements can be made for the collection of device by a parent/carer. The child will not be able to bring any mobile device into school from this point and will be dealt with in accordance with the school Behaviour Policy.

Under no circumstances should a mobile phone or Smart Watch be used by children to record still or video images, or to record audio whilst on the school premises.

Children are not allowed to make or receive phone calls or texts whilst on the school premises on either mobile phones or Smart Watches.

Parents/Carers who need to contact their child in the case of an emergency should always do so by phoning the school office or Out of School Club.

This Policy must be read in conjunction with:

- Mobile Phone, Device and Smart Watch Policy
- FS / KS1 and KS2 Acceptable Use Policy
- Online Safety Policy
- Relationship & Behaviour Policy

POLICY REVIEW DETAILS		
Policy written by	Karen Marshall	
Policy implemented	September 2020	
Policy reviewed	November 2023	Detail of when phones, devices, smart watches must be turned off clarified.
Review schedule	As required	



**Manor Road Primary School
Children's Use of Mobile Phone/Device/Smart Watch Policy Agreement**

I have read and understood the Mobile Phone/Device/Smart Watch Policy regarding children bringing a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school and accept the conditions within.

I am writing to request permission for my child to bring the following devices into school:

Mobile phone Smart Watch

I have explained the rules regarding mobile phones and Smart Watches to my child.

Child's Name: _____

Year: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Relationship to Child: _____