Mobile phones / smart devices policy (sixth form)

Student responsibilities

A privilege of sixth form is that students you are allowed to bring a mobile phone to school.

We appreciate these are an important element of young people's lives in this current era and can, when used appropriately, play a positive and prominent role in learning.

This policy strikes a clear balance between giving senior students the added level of responsibility and privilege which prepares you for life beyond school whilst maintaining our position as role models to the younger year groups.

As senior students at the school, we know you will understand your responsibility as a role model to younger students who do not have this privilege and accept the following: -

- Mobile phones may only be used in the designated sixth form areas and more specifically in the sixth form café
- Using mobile phones / smart devices to take 'selfies' will not be tolerated anywhere on the school site.
- Mobile phones must not be passed to or used to take images of younger pupils (including siblings)
- Mobile phones should only be visible in class with the permission of the class teacher
- If you are seen using your phone by a member of staff outside the clearly designated areas, the phone will be confiscated and should be collected from sixth form reception at the end of the day. If a phone is confiscated for a second time, it will be confiscated until the end of the week and then for two weeks following that.
- Refusal to hand over your phone to any member of staff will be considered a serious incident and sanctioned in accordance with the sixth form section of the behaviour policy

The above conditions can be applied to any additional electronic accessories if they are used inappropriately.

Where there is the widespread inappropriate use of phones and electronic equipment, the school reserves the right to prohibit the use of phones on the whole in school for all sixth form students.