



ST. ANDREW'S GRAMMAR

MOBILE PHONE/WEARABLE TECH POLICY for STUDENTS

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Purpose

This policy sets clear rules for mobile phone/wearable technology use to promote a focused and distraction-free learning environment whilst encouraging responsible use of technology. The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged phones/wearable tech and uses the Yondr program <https://www.overyondr.com/>. for management of phones/wearable technology.

Primary Students

- Students may not have or use mobile phones/wearable tech during school hours.

Consequences

For each academic year or at the discretion of the classroom teacher:

- First breach: the phone/wearable tech is held by the classroom teacher, and a school rule consequence is applied.
- Second breach: the phone/wearable tech is held by the classroom teacher and must be collected through them by a parent/guardian at the end of the day.
- Third breach: a meeting will be held between the Assistant Head of Wellbeing and parents, where a direct warning of suspension for any subsequent breach will be issued.
- Subsequent breaches: a suspension will be given by the Assistant Head of Wellbeing.

Secondary Students

- Students may not have or use mobile phones/wearable tech during school hours.
- All phones/wearable tech must be kept in a Yondr pouch upon entering school grounds until unlocked after school.
- Phones/wearable tech may only be used in class for learning when a teacher gives permission, and only for that one lesson.
- Taking photos or videos of others requires permission from everyone involved.
- Phones/wearable tech are prohibited on all off-campus activities (excursions, sports, camps), except when a teacher gives permission. Parents receive emergency contact arrangements.
- All student-parent calls during school hours are to go through Reception. Students contacting their parents through their phone/wearable tech is a breach of policy.
- Using phones/wearable tech to cyberbully breaches the Anti-bullying Policy and carries serious penalties.
- Requests for exemptions to the Policy for medical reasons must be put in writing to the Principal and approved. This information will be added to the student's medical information on Schoolbox and teachers informed.

Consequences

For each academic year or at the discretion of the classroom Head of House:

- First breach: the Teacher confiscates phone/wearable tech, gives it to reception and notifies the Head of House who applies a school rule consequence.
- Second breach: the phone/wearable tech is held by the Head of House and must be collected through them by a parent/guardian from Reception at the end of the day. At this time a direct warning of suspension for any subsequent breach will be issued.
- Subsequent breaches: a suspension will be given by the Head of House.

YONDR Pouches

- Students will be issued with a Yondr pouch for which they remain responsible.
- Students are responsible for bringing the pouch to school each day
- Students are responsible for keeping the pouch in good working condition
- Any damage to Yondr pouches will require immediate replacement to be organized by the student through their classroom teacher/Head of House. Damage includes:
 - Ripped or cut fabric
 - Bent or cut pin
 - Signs of force to the black locking mechanism
 - Pen marks inside the pouch
 - Pouch opening without a station
 - Scuff marks on the black ball
- The cost of replacement will be borne by the parent.

Appendix 1

Wearable Tech includes Smart watches, Smart glasses, Smart rings and air pods.

Mobile Phone/Wearable Tech Process

Upon entering school grounds, students will

- 1) Turn off their phone/wearable tech
- 2) Place their phone and wearable tech inside their Yondr pouch and lock it
- 3) Keep the pouched phone/wearable tech with them throughout the school day,
- 4) During the school day, spot checks will be carried out by staff.

At dismissal, students will

- 1) unlock their pouch
- 2) retrieve their phone and wearable tech
- 3) re-close the pouch to protect the locking mechanism from damage

Note: Students arriving late or leaving early will pouch/unpouch their phones/wearable tech when signing in or out at Reception.

If students have a phone and forget their pouch:

- 1) Students are to attend reception, hand in their phone, and receive a stamp in their diary
- 2) Students who repeatedly forget their pouch will be issued with a new pouch and charged \$50

If students have a damaged pouch:

- 1) Students are responsible for their pouch
- 2) Students who have a damaged pouch must inform their Head of House immediately
- 3) Students will be issued with a new pouch and charged \$50