

COOLUM STATE SCHOOL

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MOBILE PHONES POLICY

The Use of Personal Technology Devices (including mobile phones) at School

* Personal Technology Devices includes, but is not limited to, games devices (such as Portable gaming devices, laptop computers, cameras and/or voice recording devices (whether or not integrated with a mobile phone or MP3 player), mobile telephones, iPods® and devices of a similar nature).

Personal Technology Devices are becoming increasingly more difficult for schools to manage, and as a result, we have developed the following policy which is now being implemented. We ask that parents support this implementation.

"Students must not bring valuable personal technology devices like cameras, digital video cameras or MP3 players to school as there is a risk of damage, theft or inappropriate use. Students who breach this policy will be firstly warned not to bring them into the school and any future breaches will be written in our behaviour folders and the student may be subject to disciplinary action. If they are brought to school then it is at the owner's risk. The school will not be held accountable for the damage, theft or loss of such devices."

Parents have always been able to, and will continue to be able to, leave messages at the office and these will be passed on to the children as requested. If parents provide children with a mobile phone then it will be up to the children to conceal it and not use it at school. The above policy will be used should students breach the above procedure.