Belton C of E Primary School



Mobile Phone Policy (for pupils)

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Mobile Phone Policy

Belton C of E Primary School discourages mobile phones from being brought into school. However, as a school we appreciate that some parents/carers would prefer their child walking to and from school independently (Year 5 upwards) to have a mobile phone with them.

Aims of the Policy

- To set out for staff, parents and pupils the school's position in relation to mobile phones being brought into school
- To make clear to parents the expectations for mobile phone usage whilst in school
- To ensure that the use of mobile phones does not impact upon the learning of pupils whilst in school

Mobile Phone Code of Conduct

- If a pupil in Year 5 brings in a mobile phone the teacher must be informed and the phone handed to the teacher where it is kept securely until the end of the school day. The phone must be turned off and the pupil can have no access to the phone during the day.
- If this procedure is not followed and the mobile phone is seen in school, it will be confiscated and their parents will need to collect it from school
- Pupils must understand that inappropriate use of the phone e.g. taking photos, sending unkind or abusive text messages or connecting to a social networking site will result in a ban for the pupil bringing one to school and parents will be informed.

Pupil and Parental Expectations

- If there is a request to bring a phone into school parents and pupils must sign the 'Code of Conduct' before a pupil is allowed to bring their phone into school.
- Parents and pupils must sign a waiver, which declares that Belton C of E Primary School will take no responsibility for any loss, damage or theft associated with the mobile phone.
- It is the parents' responsibility to ensure they have signed the relevant paperwork e.g. if they have a child who starts to bring a phone into school they need to request the code of conduct and waiver. It is not the school's responsibility to ensure that these forms are signed.

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Pupils:

- I understand I must tell the teacher if I bring a mobile phone into school and hand it in and collect it at the end of the school day
- I understand that my phone must be switched off all day
- I understand if I do not tell the teacher and my phone is seen it will be confiscated
- I understand my phone will be confiscated if I use it to send unkind or abusive text messages, connect to a social networking site or take photos when I am at school

Name:

Signed.....

Date

Parents/carers

- I/we understand that it is my/our responsibility to ensure that my child understands and adheres to the code of conduct above
- I understand that the school will accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or theft in relation to my child's mobile phone

Name.....

Signed..... (person with parental responsibility for the child)

Date