

ALL HALLOWS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

MOBILE PHONE AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY

RATIONALE

At All Hallows, we are very proud of the fact that the vast majority of our pupils follow our rules and that we receive excellent support from the vast majority of our parents. We are asking all parents to support us in what can potentially be a difficult area for schools.

Schools are places of learning and they contain lots of Technology which can be used within the curriculum. Some schools nationally have, however, suffered problems due to pupils having access to mobile phones and Smart Watches in school. As a result, we have taken the decision that mobile phones and Smart Watches will not be allowed on our school site and we ask parents to work with us by encouraging pupils to leave them at home. If any pupil is ill, trained staff will, as always, use their professional judgement to determine whether it is appropriate to contact parents. In all other instances of a pupil wanting access to a telephone, this will be granted if permission is given by a senior member of staff

RULES

1. Mobile phones, personal headphones and Smart Watches are not allowed to be used in school
2. If parents insist on their child having a phone with them:
 - the school can take no responsibility for its safety
 - the phone must be switched off in school at all times.

SANCTIONS

Any mobile phone/set of headphones/Smart Watch used on our school site will be confiscated. The item(s) concerned will be available for collection by a parent at the end of the school day.

Pupils will NOT be allowed to regain confiscated items simply via a telephone call from a parent to the school.

Pupils who have items confiscated more than once in a half term will be instructed to hand in their device to the school office upon arrival at school each morning for a period of ten school days. Should this sanction be applied the pupil will be permitted to collect his/her device at the end of the school day during the ten days period.