



Hyde Park Junior School: Pupil Mobile Phone Use Policy.

Whilst pupils are not allowed phones in school, we have been unable to control their use on the journey to and from school, while pupils wait for school to start at 8.40 and when they are dismissed at the end of the day. Each year, inappropriate use of smart phones causes problems with peer pressure as well resulting in inappropriate content being shared, for example from YouTube. It has also led to bullying, including pupils filming embarrassing situations outside of school and sharing these. Pupils are also exposed to the pressure of having the 'right' smart phone and of joining age inappropriate social media sites. Children are also very vulnerable to being victims of road traffic accidents whilst distracted by their smart phones walking to and from school.

With effect from Monday 28th October 2019 children do not have permission to bring a phone onto the school premises.

Smart phones brought onto the school premises will be looked after in the school office and parents/guardians will be called to collect them.

Pupils do not need a phone whilst attending primary school.

- If a pupil needs to contact his/her parents/guardians, they go to the school office and a call is be made for them.
- If parents/guardians need to contact a child urgently, they may phone the school office and a message will be relayed promptly.
- All pupils are taught that if they are unsure who is collecting them or what they should do after school they should go to the school office and we will look after them.

If you believe there are exceptional circumstances that mean your child should bring a phone, with no internet connectivity to school, please use the form attached to submit your request.



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Request for exceptional circumstances to be considered to allow a pupil bring a phone, with no internet connectivity, to school.

Pupils do not need a phone at primary school to:

- Contact parents/guardians.
If a pupil needs to contact his/her parents/guardians they go to the school office and a call is be made for them.
- Allow parents/guardians to contact a child.
If parents/guardians need to contact a child urgently they may phone the school office and a message will be relayed promptly.
- Contact parents/guardians if they are not collected from school or are unsure of arrangement.
All pupils are taught that if they are unsure who is collecting them or what they should do after school they should go to the school office and we will look after them.

Please return this request form to the school office.

Pupil name.	Year group	Class name
Please set out the exceptional circumstances that lead you to request that your child be granted permission to bring a phone, with no internet connectivity, to school.		
Signed:	Print name :	Date:
	Relationship to child:	