



Delves Lane Primary School

Mobile Phone Contract



Delves Lane Primary School recognises that on some occasions it may be helpful for a pupil to bring a mobile phone into school. For instance, if they walk to school unaccompanied or they are being collected by a different carer. We believe that pupil use of a mobile phone during the school day can be disruptive and this agreement outlines how pupil phones will be managed within our school.

Our Pupil Mobile Phone Rules

- All pupils bringing a phone into school must have a good reason for doing so, and must have signed and returned this agreement.
- The school will help children to learn about staying safe online, but recognises that the primary responsibility for online safety at home lies with parents/carers. The school will seek to work with families to help them to encourage children to adopt safe use of mobile technology.
- Children not following these rules will not be allowed to bring a phone into school. Any phone brought in without permission will be confiscated and only returned to a parent or carer.
- Children are reminded not to take photographs or videos of people and never to take them on the way into or out of school or on school property. This is because some children are not allowed to have their picture taken.
- All phones should be appropriately marked to enable children to easily identify their own phone.
- All phones should be turned off before coming on to the school grounds (i.e. as soon as children reach the school gate) and shall not be turned on again until children leave the school grounds (i.e. after exiting through the school gate).
- All phones shall be handed in to the class teacher in the Junior building as soon as children arrive at school.
- Phones can be collected from the class teacher at the end of the school day.
- Where pupils attend an after-school club, all phones will be passed to the supervising member of staff who will return them at the end of the club.
- Where personal devices are being handled, pupils and staff will use regular handwashing and mobile phones will be wiped down as with other forms of technology.
- The school cannot accept responsibility for damage to, or loss of, a mobile phone brought into school.
- The school has the right to confiscate or search a mobile phone. In the unlikely event of needing to do this, we will endeavour to contact a parent or carer. As part of this agreement, your child should agree to unlock the phone if required by a member of staff.
- We currently advise that the use of Smart Watches is not appropriate in school due to risks of loss and damage.

Parents may want to look at the advice on www.internetmatters.org which explains how to add some parental controls to the phone and gives advice on how to keep children safe.

Please sign and return the agreement attached.

**Mrs R Woods
Head Teacher**

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Name of Child _____

Reason for needing a mobile phone in school _____

Parent/Carer: I confirm that I have explained the school rules regarding mobile phones to my child and confirm that they may take a mobile phone into school on that basis.

Parent/Carer signature _____ Date _____

Pupil: I will follow the school mobile phone rules.

Pupil signature _____ Date _____

Our school online safety co-ordinators are Miss Webb and Mr Jones.
Please feel free to contact them if you have any concerns regarding online safety.