



POLICY FOR THE USE OF CAMERAS AND MOBILE DEVICES IN SCHOOL

To ensure the safety and welfare of the children in our care at Netherbrook Primary School this policy outlines the protocols for the use of personal mobile phones and cameras in the setting.

- Staff's personal mobile phones, smart watches, cameras and video recorders cannot be used when in the presence of children either on school premises or when on outings.
- All personal mobile phones must be stored securely within the setting during contact time with children. (This includes staff, visitors, parents, volunteers and students).
- No parent is permitted to use their mobile phone or use its camera facility whilst inside school buildings.
- Mobile phones must not be used in any teaching area within the setting or within the toilet areas.
- In the case of a personal emergency staff should use the school telephone. It is the responsibility of all staff to make families aware of the school telephone numbers.
- Personal calls may be made in non-contact time but not within the teaching areas when they are accessible by pupils.
- Personal mobiles, cameras or video recorders should not be used to record classroom activities. ONLY school equipment should be used.
- Photographs and recordings can only be transferred to and stored on a school computer before printing.
- All telephone contact with Parents/Carers must be made on the school telephone.
- During trips/visits nominated staff will have access to the school mobile (where possible) which can be used in an emergency or for contact purposes. Nominated staff to use own mobile if school mobile unavailable.
- In the case of school productions, Parents/Carers are permitted to take photographs of their own child in accordance with school policy which strongly advise against the publication of any such photographs on social networking sites.

MONITORING AND REVIEW:

It is the responsibility of all staff to adhere to this policy. Failure to follow this policy will be deemed to be a breach of Safeguarding and Child Protection procedures and may result in disciplinary proceedings being carried out against you.

This policy will be reviewed annually.

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