

MOAMA ANGLICAN GRAMMAR SCHOOL



MOBILE PHONES, CAMERAS AND MUSIC PLAYERS POLICY & PROTOCOLS

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STATEMENT OF CONTEXT AND PURPOSE

An increasing number of students are bringing mobile phones to school. Mobile phones are a useful means of ensuring your child is able to make/change travel arrangements and to seek help or advice if facing difficulty. Students can use their phones inappropriately and in ways which detract from their learning and the learning of others.

The School has no intention of banning mobile phones (except in such instances as on school camps, where there is already existing method of communication in an emergency). It is important for parents and students to know what kind of mobile phone use is appropriate and what is not appropriate, as the School will enforce its mobile phone use policy. Students who fail to comply with the policy may have a penalty imposed on them. If a student was to continue to ignore the policy, the School would require that the mobile phone be handed in to the Deputy Principal at the beginning of the day and collected after class at the end of the day/week.

Mobile phones are not to be used:

- In school hours unless specifically as part of a class activity e.g. IT, or in the case of a genuine emergency.
- To ask to be collected during school hours (this must be done through the School Office).
- To send a message (text, photographic or voice) to any other student during school hours.

Mobile phones will only be allowed at School if it is accepted by parents and students that the **School reserves the right to:**

- examine the contents of any mobile phone to ensure that it has not been used inappropriately
- confiscate any mobile phone which has been used inappropriately. Parents will be contacted to discuss the issues involved before collecting the phone.

Use of cameras and iPad or mobile phone cameras is prohibited at School unless with the prior consent of a teacher and of those being photographed. All music players /iPods are not to be used at School unless specifically allowed in classes such as practical Art or Graphics.

Principal

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