

Chipping Hill Primary School



Children's Use of Mobile Phones, Devices and Smart Watches Policy

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This policy was drafted by the Headteacher then analysed, discussed and agreed by the Chair of Governors and teachers.

At Chipping Hill Primary School, children in Year 5 and Year 6 will be permitted to bring a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school, where parents/carers are in agreement, where possession of a mobile phone or Smart Watch would be of significant and demonstrable benefit to the child, and on submission of the request for permission form (see Appendix 1).

Children in classes from Reception – Year 4 are not permitted to bring a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school.

Mobile phones or Smart Watches, where brought into school, will be the sole responsibility of the child concerned and the school will accept no responsibility for any subsequent damage or loss.

Mobile phones must be switched off before entering school premises and handed to the class teacher on entry into school and will not be allowed to be used during the school day.

Smart Watches with camera facilities and independent access to the internet must also be switched off and handed to the teacher and will not be allowed to be used during the school day.

Smart Watches without independent connectivity and cameras may be worn providing they are being used as normal watches and for no other function beyond telling the time.

Any child found to be inappropriately using a mobile phone or Smart Watch will have their device confiscated and kept by the school until appropriate arrangements can be made for the collection of device by a parent/carer. The child will not be able to bring any mobile device into school from this point and will be dealt with in accordance with the school Behaviour Policy.

Under no circumstances should a mobile phone or Smart Watch be used by children to record still or video images, or to record audio whilst on the school premises.

Parents/Carers who need to contact their child in the case of an emergency should always do so by phoning the school office.

Appendix 1

Chipping Hill Primary School Mobile Phone/Device/Smart Watch Policy

I have read and understood the Mobile Phone/Device/Smart Watch Policy regarding children bringing a mobile phone or Smart Watch to school and accept the conditions within.

I am writing to request permission for my child to bring the following devices into school:

Mobile phone ☐

Smart Watch ☐

I have explained the rules regarding mobile phones and Smart Watches to my child.

Child name:.....

Class:.....

Parent name:.....

Parent signature:.....

Date:.....