



Paisley Grammar School

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In Paisley Grammar School our aim is to maximise the opportunities presented by mobile technologies to enhance our learning and teaching approaches. In recent years we have increased our use of electronic devices in the classroom; this includes chromebooks, fire tablets, Ipads, mobile phones. It is, however, essential that we all promote appropriate, safe use of all mobile devices.

Usage – Mobile Phones

Pupils are not permitted to have their phones on their person and in use during class time. Mobile phones should be stored in bags in a designated area during class time. Pupils should not, in addition, be using their phones between classes.

It is acknowledged that some pupils, for specific health & safety reasons, will be required to be in contact with parents at key times, and this will be facilitated through Island Teams.

For parents needing to communicate with children during class time, contact should be made through the school office. Similarly, pupils are not permitted to contact their parents during class time using their phone, and all such communication must be through the school office.

Usage – Chromebooks, Fire Tablets, Ipads and Laptops

From August 2023 all pupils in S1-4 will have their own chromebook. These should be brought to school everyday, in their covers, and will act as digital jotters. Pupils must ensure chromebooks are charged every evening and great care must be taken with them, as replacements will not be available.

Occasionally, pupils with identified additional support needs may benefit from using mobile devices (excluding phones) in class. If this has been agreed in conjunction with Pupil Support and Island Teams, then they may use these devices freely. These pupils will be issued with an electronic device card that can be shown to the class teacher. This will be clearly highlighted in their learner profile.

Pupils in S5/6 have access to chromebooks to support their learning as directed by their class teacher. Staff will make clear to pupils when the use of mobile technology is appropriate. No pupil will be disadvantaged in circumstances where technology is in use.



Liability for mobile devices

A pupil bringing a personal phone or electronic device to school is responsible for its care and usage at all times. It is, in the end, a choice to bring mobile phones or electronic devices to school, and as such, the school cannot accept any responsibility for damage, loss or theft of any device. We advise appropriate insurance for any mobile device which is brought to school, as the school cannot cover any loss, damage or theft.

Pupil responsibilities

Bullying or harassment of pupils or staff via mobile phone or electronic device is unacceptable in any form.

Using a mobile phone or electronic device to take photographs and/or video clips of other pupils/staff without individual permissions is not permitted.

Pupils should not download material on school premises that could be deemed unsuitable.

Use of mobile phones or electronic devices on any school excursions will be determined by the staff in charge of the trip.

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