



Mobile phone use - Brymore Academy



At Brymore, we keep our phones away at all times when in a learning environment...
...so that we are not distracting ourselves or others.

Whilst we recognise that mobile phones are part of the modern world, they are not necessary at school and all too often cause problems, for example:

- Hindrance to the social development of our young people;
- A significant distraction to learning;
- Used to film and record others and as these films and/or recordings can be posted to social media platforms, it is a violation of personal privacy, causing significant problems including online bullying.

We will not accept reasons of:

- Needing to look at timetables (these have been provided in paper form for students - replacements can be sought from school reception);
- Needing to know the time (as clocks are provided in every room);
- A parent needed to call (as we have been clear in the request to contact school).
- If a child is wearing headphones (wireless or otherwise) these will also be confiscated.
- Mobile phone/electronic device 'apps' may be used for learning if your teacher agrees: "get permission".

We politely request that parents contact the school office to pass on any messages/contact their child on: **01278 652369**

If a student needs to contact home in the case of an emergency, the school will facilitate this using a school phone.

Mobile phone seen/heard - Mobile phone will be confiscated and held in the School Office. Student can collect at the end of the school day.

Second offence of mobile phone seen/heard - mobile phone will be confiscated and held in the School Office until a Parent/Guardian can collect after the end of the school day or as soon as possible thereafter.

Third offence - mobile phone will be confiscated and a consequence will be put into place (internal isolation). Parents/Guardian will need to collect the mobile phone after the end of the school day.

Repeated breaches of the school mobile phone policy, or refusal to hand over mobile phone at first request from an adult, may result in a Fixed Term Suspension.

A polite reminder that Brymore is not liable for any loss, damage or theft of online devices; boys are encouraged to keep their mobile phones in their locker when not in use.