

Rochsolloch Primary School



Mobile Phone Policy **May 2025**

Aim

To **clarify** the **acceptable use** of mobile phones at Rochsolloch Primary School.

Procedure

“Under normal circumstances, pupils should not bring mobile phones to school and the use of mobile phones which involves bullying, the invasion of privacy or disruption to the work of the school is considered unacceptable.” *(North Lanarkshire Council: General Circular 024-07)*

Therefore, the following applies at Rochsolloch Primary School.

Mobile Free Zone

All areas of the school should be considered mobile free zones, and pupils should have no access to mobile devices. This is for the safety of all pupils and staff, and to ensure learning and teaching is not disrupted. All mobile phones should be switched off and kept within bags until the school grounds have been vacated.

The mobile free zone includes Breakfast Club, the playground before and after school, and school excursions. This policy also includes other connected devices such as smart watches, tablets and gaming devices.

If there is an emergency, the school will contact a parent/carer. This is not an acceptable use of a mobile device.

The only exception to the above is when a child requires the use of a mobile device for healthcare purposes. This will be agreed with the parent/carer as part of their healthcare plan.

Pupils not following these procedures will face logical consequences as described in the Relationships Policy. Parents will be notified if this happens.

We recognise that, in some situations, some children may need access to a mobile phone when travelling to and from school. The phone can be switched off and kept in

the child's bag until they have left the school grounds. Any parent/carer wishing to contact their child during the school day can do so by telephoning the school.

Disclaimer

Rochsolloch Primary School will not be responsible for the loss or damage of a mobile phone brought to school by a child.

UNCRC Links

Article 3: All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about how their decisions will affect children.

Article 13: You have the right to find out things and share what you think with others, by talking, drawing, writing, or in any other way unless it harms or offends other people.

Article 17: You have the right to get information that is important to your well-being, from radio, newspaper, books, computers and other sources. Adults should make sure that the information you are getting is not harmful, and help you find and understand the information you need.

Review

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