Safe and Responsible Use of Mobile Technology in School- Blackford Primary School Policy

Vision

To enable our school to develop an ethos of digital citizenship that leads to safe and responsible use of mobile technology. To positively embrace mobile technology to enhance learning now and in the future while protecting children and staff from possible harmful consequences of misuse.

- Personal mobile devices may only be used in school during Golden Time. These should be kept in pupil trays, switched off and out of sight until permission is given for them to be used.
- Clear guidelines will be given by staff on the appropriate use of mobile technology for learning e.g. appropriate websites/ apps. learning
- Staff will reinforce the need for safe and responsible use of technology through Health and Wellbeing lessons.
- Camera and filming functions must not be used in school, the school grounds, during forest school or on trips without prior consent from a member of staff.
- Images or recordings must not be uploaded to social networking or other websites without the permission of the Head Teacher.
- Staff and children will only use school devices to take images or film pupils relating to learning and teaching, not personal devices.
- Children found to be misusing mobile devices in school will have the device confiscated by the Head Teacher. Their parent/ carer will be informed and asked to collect the device from the school. The child may not then have a personal mobile device in school for the remainder of the school session.
- Children, Parents, Carers and Staff should report any misuse of mobile technology to the Head Teacher.
- If there is a reason relating to Health and Wellbeing where a child is required to have a mobile device in school this should be discussed with the Head Teacher and permission may be given for the device to be in school.
- Blackford Primary and Perth and Kinross council will not accept any responsibility or liability for personal mobile devices in terms of loss, theft or breakage.