

Aberdare Community School Ysgol Gymunedol Aberdâr



Mobile Phone Policy

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Mobile Phone (and other such electronic devices) Policy

The school has a zero tolerance to the use of mobile phones and other electronic devices used in school. The school's policy on mobile phones and other electronic devices is very simple, they should not be brought to school.

The reasons for the policy are:

- To avoid students being distracted from their studies
- To remove the risk of damage to or theft of expensive electronic items
- To reduce the potential risk of cyber bullying

Any mobile phones or other electronic devices that are seen out/or heard will be subject to the following actions;

- On the first infringement, the mobile phone will be confiscated by the teacher and taken to the pastoral support office, where it would be securely stored. A record will be made of the incident. The student will be able to collect the mobile phone at the end of the school day.
- On the occasion of a first confiscation, but where there are aggravating factors such as rudeness on the part of the student, the imposition of an additional consequence will be considered.
- On the second infringement, within a half term, the mobile phone will be confiscated by the teacher and taken to the pastoral support office, where it would be securely stored. Parents/carers will be informed of the situation and the phone will need to be collected by a parent or carer.
- Any infringement which involves the disruption of learning or teaching may also be punished with an after-school detention, at the discretion of the teacher.
- Refusal to comply with the sanctions included in this policy will be treated as refusal to follow instruction and may result in further disciplinary sanctions.