**Mobile Phone Policy**

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*Policy and Procedures for students mobile phones at schools*

Seven Hills North Public School recognises that mobile phones may be perceived by some parents and carers as devices to improve the security and safety of their children. The following policy and procedures has this understanding in mind – while also being directed by the policy of the Department of Education and Training.

* In general **students are discouraged from bringing mobile phones to school**
* Students who need to have a mobile phone will leave the phone switched off in their school bag and not access it during school hours
* The school will accept no responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones or for costs incurred while the phone is on school premises
* Any urgent need by a parent/carer to contact their child during the day should be met by calling the school office on (02) 9624 1275 and organising (through the Principal) to talk with the student
* Students who use their phones during the school day (including recess and lunch) will be deemed to be breaking school rules and may be disciplined through the school’s Student Welfare Policy