

Presentation Secondary School Listowel

Co. Kerry



Mobile Phone Policy

Date of policy adoption

This Policy was ratified by the Board of Management of Presentation Secondary School, Listowel

Signed Shane O'Donoghue Date 09/09/25
Chairperson, Board of Management

Mobile Phones

The use of mobile phones is prohibited between the hours 08:45 – 16.00 Monday – Thursday and 08:45 -13:20 on Fridays.

All students will have their phones switched off and stored in mobile classroom pouches during class time.

If a student is using her phone without permission, the phone will be confiscated and kept in the office until the end of the school day. The teacher will accompany the student after class to the office where the phone must be handed in. It will be placed in an envelope and the student will sign her name across the seal. The student can collect the phone at the end of the school day. A sanction of detention may be applied for 3 or more incidences.

In the event of a student refusing to hand up her phone, she will be withdrawn from class and her parents will be contacted. A refusal to hand over phone incurs a detention.

During the supervision of a class, when work is left for students on teams, the supervising teacher will display the work on the whiteboard for all students to see.

It is our expectation that students will not engage in any inappropriate behaviour while using mobile phones.

Engaging in any inappropriate behaviour will be viewed as a grave offence that will lead to suspension. Please see ladder of referral.

Parents/guardians who need to contact students while they are in school must do so via the School Office. Students who need to contact parents while they are in school should also do so by using the phone in the School Office.

The school will facilitate parents/guardians who need to phone or text the school with a message for their daughter. The school office phone number is: 068-21452. A student will always be facilitated by the school office should she wish to phone or text a message to a parent/guardian in an emergency.

This policy stands for all school related activities e.g., school trips, matches etc.

The Board of Management expects the full co-operation of all in the school in this matter.

The Policy will be reviewed annually.

Appendix:

Mobile phones are the students' own responsibility.

Students have been made aware that, while it is preferable that they do not bring mobile phones into the classroom, the school provides a storage facility for those who choose to do so. By bringing a mobile phone to school, students acknowledge and accept that the school is not liable for any loss, damage, or theft of the phone.