

Mobile Phone Application

General Policy

Mazenod College acknowledges the growing use of mobile phones by students but for the reasons detailed below would prefer students did not bring mobile phones to school. If parents want their son to have a phone at school, so contact can be made after school, or messages left, the “Mobile Phone Application” form must be completed and the conditions outlined adhered to. Mazenod staff are always willing to contact a student on behalf of a parent in an emergency situation.

Concerns regarding mobile phone usage.

1. Phones that are left on are a distraction to the owner and other students.
2. Valuable items that are not used directly for educational purposes should be left at home to avoid the chance of them being lost or stolen. As well as the personal cost and inconvenience to the owner, considerable time can be spent investigating a stolen/lost item.
3. Recent studies indicate potential health risks especially to younger people.
4. Students should not be in a position to contact friends and acquaintances during school hours.
Security is of great concern and incidents of contact with outside people or agencies could pose a threat to the general school community.

Conditions of use once application granted.

1. Mobile phones are not to be used during school time apart from the following instances, where expressed permission is given by the teacher in charge:

Examples of Educational Circumstances (for mobile phone usage):

- Taking a screenshot of whiteboard notes.
 - Recording a discussion in a language class.
 - Videoing an activity such as a skill being demonstrated in music or sport.
 - Research using a mobile app.
2. The phone is an item of considerable value. The student and his parents/guardians accept total responsibility for its security.
 3. Details of the phone are recorded on the application and are stored for administrative purposes.
 4. The phone is only used for the reasons as outlined on the application.
 5. The use of photographic and recording facilities on the phone are strictly prohibited due to legal and social reasons, except for educational circumstances where permission is given by the teacher in charge.
 6. Unauthorised use of a mobile phone will result in its confiscation. The phone will be held in the College safe for a minimum of one week, before a parent/guardian is requested to collect it.
 7. The College reserves the right to check a student’s phone at any time for inappropriate material.

Application

Student’s Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Reason phone required: _____

Phone Details:

Phone Number: _____ Serial Number: _____

IMEI Number: _____ Model: _____

We accept the terms and conditions of mobile phone usages as outlined on the “Mobile Phone Application”.

Student’s Signature: _____ Parent’s Signature: _____ Date: _____