



# ABINGDON

## Mobile phone rules

### Lower School:

- Pupils are allowed to bring their phones into school.
- On arriving at school they must hand their phones in to their housemaster.
- Pupils are not allowed to have phones on their person - all phones must be handed in.
- The housemaster will store the phones in his/her office from the start of the day until 5pm when pupils may collect their phones to take them home.
- If pupils are leaving before 5pm they need to arrange to collect their phones from the housemaster at an earlier time. This is the responsibility of the pupil.

### Middle School:

- Pupils are allowed to bring their phones into school.
- Once in school, pupils are not allowed to get their phones out unless specifically given permission to do so by a member of the teaching staff.
- During the school day pupils should keep their phones away, and on silent, and must not use their phones. No Middle School phones should be visible or audible.
- If a phone is visible, or if it is audible, then then a member of the teaching staff will confiscate that phone. The member of staff will take the phone to the Common Room Secretary at the next convenient, reasonable time, where it will be put in to an envelope with the pupil's name and date on the envelope. Pupils will then be able to collect the phone from the Common Room Secretary after 4.30pm on the day on which it was confiscated. Repeated infringements of the rule could lead to more serious sanctions, but this will be at the discretion of the Deputy Head (Pastoral) and/or the pupil's housemaster, depending upon the circumstances involved.

### Sixth Form:

- Pupils are allowed to bring their phones into school

- They are allowed to use their phones during the school day, but must not use them in lessons without the permission of the member of staff, nor in the Dining Hall.
- Pupils should avoid using their phone while walking around the school site.
- Pupils should not use headphones unless they are sitting working, and then only with staff permission in a class environment.

**Deputy Head Pastoral**

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