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Mobile Phone and Smart Watch Usage – Years 5 and 6

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We have noticed a significant increase in the number of our children in Key Stage 2 bringing mobile phones and smart watches (where they are able to send and receive texts and access apps) into school.

We understand that these devices provide the children with a way of communicating with their family before and after school when necessary. I would like to ask parents to read the attached acceptable use agreement with your child tonight which outlines our rules for having a mobile phone/smart watch on our site. Once read, please sign the forms attached so that we have a record of this agreement. Should there be a breach of this agreement, then we will review whether your child is able to continue to bring a device into school. During the breach the device will be kept with the Headteacher until parents are able to come into school to collect it.

- Mobile phones/smart watches **MUST** be handed in to the class teacher on arrival at school to be stored securely. Under no circumstances should these devices be taken out and used on our school site or when entering/leaving the school site.
- Should a child lose or damage their device, whilst we are sympathetic, we are not liable for any loss or expense to replace or repair this.

We know that mobile phones/smart watches can be a valuable and important resource for our children; we frequently discuss safe use of these devices, both in general and as part of our online safety lessons. This agreement is an extension of this key aspect of online safety, as we want the children to develop sensible habits surrounding their usage and to be aware that there are times where using a device is not appropriate.

Therefore, I would urge you to take this into consideration before sending your child into school with a device.

Yours faithfully,

A. Williams

Pennaeth / Headteacher





Parc y Tywyn School Mobile Phone and Smart Watch Acceptable Use Agreement

- I know that having a mobile phone/smart watch is both a privilege and a responsibility.
- I am allowed to bring my device to school in order to help me communicate with my family after school when I need to.

I agree to follow these rules when I bring my device into school:

- ✓ I will turn my phone off when I arrive at the school gate and ensure it remains off for the school day.
- ✓ During the school day I will make sure my phone is stored in a box or other safe place provided by my teacher.
- ✓ I will set my smartwatch to a 'Do Not Disturb' mode for the day before arriving at school.
- ✓ I will not use my device whilst at school for any reason, unless asked to by an adult.
- ✓ I will wait until I am outside of the school gates to turn on my mobile device and use it at the end of the day.
- ✓ I will not share my phone number with any other children without the permission of my parents.
- ✓ I will never give away the pin, password or any other access information that would allow others to use my device.
- ✓ I will not use my device to make videos, recordings or take photos of myself or other children whilst in, or near to the school.

Please sign the attached form to show that you have read and understood this agreement

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