



SKEGNESS ACADEMY

Policy on Mobile Phone/Electronic Devices with the Academy

Students choose to bring their mobile phone/electronic device into school at their own risk and are responsible for its safe keeping during the Academy day. Skegness Academy will not be held responsible for any damage caused to mobile phones/electronic devices on the school site.

For safeguarding reasons, mobile phones/electronic devices must never be used to take electronic recordings, videos or photographs of staff or students in school.

All wires/earphones must be kept out of sight in bags or pockets during lessons.

All mobile phones/electronic devices must be switched off and kept in bags or pockets during lessons, unless the teacher has given specific permission for use in an activity related to learning. This will be entirely at the discretion of the teacher and will not be open for discussion with students. The school building is a mobile/electronic device free zone.

Any student using a mobile phone/electronic device without permission in lessons will have On-Call sent for.

- On-Call will escort the student to TP1.
- The mobile phone/electronic device will be confiscated, labelled and taken to Main Reception.
- A 50 minute detention will be issued.
- The student will spend the rest of the lesson in TP1.

Any student using a mobile phone/electronic device within school buildings/corridors will be asked to turn it off and put it away. Refusal to follow this instruction will lead to On-Call.

- On-Call will collect the student from his/her next lesson and escort him/her to a TP1.
- The On-Call staff member will confiscate the mobile phone/electronic device, label it and take it to Main Reception.
- A 50 minute detention will be issued.
- The student will then return to his/her lesson.

Confiscated mobile phones/electronic devices should be collected from main reception at the end of the school day, not during tutor time.

If a student refuses to hand over his/her mobile phone/electronic device, parents/carers will be contacted and asked to come into school to confiscate the item. The student will spend the rest of the day in TP1. If parents/carers are unable to come in, the student will be excluded until the following day when parents/carers are able to attend a meeting.

Persistent offenders will have their mobile phone/electronic device confiscated by a member of the Senior Leadership Team until parents come in to discuss the situation. Persistent offenders will be refused the privilege of bringing mobile phones/electronic devices into school.