



North Star School

Mobile Phone Use Statement

November 2021

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North Star School recognises that mobile phones, cameras, and digital devices are now an integral part of our culture and can be of considerable value, particularly in relation to personal safety.

As an online education provider, we also understand that staff and pupils may use their mobile phones to access their lessons, emails, and online classrooms. This statement is to ensure that members of NSS use their mobile phone for school purposes only during delivery hours.

Use of personal mobile phones for staff:

- Mobile phones should not be used during lesson times either to make or receive calls, unless there is an emergency
- Staff should never give their mobile phone number to any pupils. This also includes past pupils under the age of 18 years
- Staff should never give their mobile phone number to any parents or carers unless authorised by Directors
- No photographs, videos or images of children should be captured using a personal mobile phone

Use of personal mobile phones for students:

- Mobile phones should not be used during lesson times either to make or receive calls, unless there is an emergency
- If a student is using their mobile phone to access their online classroom instead of their laptop/PC, they should inform the member of staff at the start of the lesson
- Students must not take photographs, videos or images of their teachers or other pupils during their online lessons – this could result in disciplinary action
- Cyberbullying is not tolerated at North Star School, pupils must not use their phone to send violent or abusive messages to any other member of NSS