

Westlands School

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A SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS, COMPUTING & SCIENCE SCHOOL

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Westlands School Mobile Phone Protocol

Pupils may bring mobile 'phones to school if they use them sensibly.

Pupils can use their mobile 'phones on the school site before school, at break-times, lunchtimes and after school.

Pupils must not use their 'phones in lessons. This includes answering their 'phone, texting, viewing the screen in any way, or simply having them visible. 'Phones should be in silent mode and must not disturb learning.

These rules also apply between lessons when pupils are expected to move around the school briskly but safely.

Pupils must not use mobile 'phones to bully, personally harass or post private information about another person using social media. Nor should they be used to record conversations or take photographs or videos.

When pupils abuse these rules the 'phone, including Sim card, will be confiscated. Any pupil who refuses to hand over their 'phone will be placed in the Pupil Support Provision as a punishment, but there will still be an expectation that the same 'phone is handed in, even if this happens a day or so later.

'Phones that are confiscated by staff will be kept securely and can only be collected by the parent or legal guardian (no other relative).

Parents with extenuating circumstances who are unable to collect a mobile phone can arrange, for a fee, for the phone to be sent home by special delivery, which will require someone to be at home to sign for it.



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