



Woolwich Polytechnic
School for Girls



WOOLWICH POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Mobile Phone and Electronics Policy

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Mobile phones and other electronic devices are not allowed to be used by students on site at Woolwich Polytechnic School for Girls at any time. Any phone or electronic device that is seen or heard by a member of staff will be **confiscated until the end of that half term**.

Mobile phones or electronics that are confiscated will be kept on the school site in a safe, lockable place. They will be returned to the student at the end of the school day on the final day of the half term. If your child's device is taken on more than one occasion, it will not be returned to her but will have to be collected by a parent/carer.

Mobile phones and electronic devices include (but are not exclusive to):

- Smart phones
- Mobile phones of any kind
- Tablets/iPads
- Kindles/e-readers
- Smart watches
- Earphones/air-pods/headphones of any kind
- Handheld gaming consoles

The reason that we have taken this measure is to keep your daughter safe. There are many potential dangers or issues that can arise when using the internet. We would like to prevent as many of these issues as possible from arising in school. We will educate your daughter around safety online and ask that you continue to do the same at home, however these distractions are not conducive to a positive learning environment and, ultimately, children come to school to learn. We hope that this ban on mobile phone and electronic devices supports the school in maintaining high standards, whilst improving and promoting student wellbeing and safety.

Please see your parent information and safeguarding booklet for further advice around mobile phones and internet safety.