

Pleasant Heights Public School

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2017 STUDENT MOBILE DEVICE AGREEMENT

(Note: this includes iPods and Cameras for excursions)

This permission note is for the use of mobile phones, portable computer games, MP3 players/iPods, cameras and similar devices in schools by students.

In relation to permission for students to have their mobile phone/iPod/iPad or similar device at school for the purpose of safe travel to and from school, camera use on excursions, or for any other school related activity when necessary.

I understand that:

- Mobile phones must be switched off whilst at school.
- Mobile phones should not be used to make calls, send SMS messages, surf the internet, audio record, take photographs/videos or any other application whilst at school.
- The student must take full responsibility for these devices. The school or staff will not be responsible for their loss, theft or damage. Students who bring them to school do so at their own risk.
- Students must not use mobile telephones or other devices to disrupt the learning environment or interfere with the operation of the school. Such activities may incur disciplinary action including suspension.
- Students must not use mobile telephones or other devices to threaten, bully, intimidate or otherwise harass other people through any SMS or text message, photographic, video or other data transfer system available on the telephone or for any illegal activity. Such activities may incur disciplinary action including suspension.
- Under no circumstances will inappropriate use of mobile telephones with cameras be tolerated. Students found to be using any camera contrary to this acceptable use policy will be dealt with under the school discipline policy. Disciplinary action will be taken in all cases.
- Parents must sign this form stating that they know their child has a phone, that it is necessary for safe travel and that their child will not use it to contact people during school hours.

Improper use of mobile telephones or other electronic devices may result in:

- Detention or other appropriate disciplinary measure as determined by the school's disciplinary policy.
- The student being required to hand in their mobile telephone or other electronic device at the beginning of the school day for collection when the student goes home.
- Confiscation of the mobile telephone or other electronic device until such time as their parent or caregiver is able to attend school to collect the device.
- Other disciplinary action in cases where students have bullied or threatened or harassed other students or staff via the mobile telephone or other personal communication device or where the device has been used to take photographs or display inappropriate material.

Emergency Contact

- If a parent or caregiver needs to contact a student at school as a result of an emergency, they are required to call the school's main office and a message will be sent immediately to the student.
- If a student needs to make emergency contact with anyone they can do so through the school's main office. Students are not to use their phone during the day to call anyone.

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Signed ___

Date _

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE TO YOUR <u>CLASS TEACHER</u>