ELECTRONIC AND MOBILE DEVICES

POLICY

Rationale:
• Personal mobile and electronic devices including phones, ipods, tablets and ipads are not encouraged in a Primary School environment. Personal mobile devices can easily be improperly used, lost or damaged and must therefore be effectively managed. In the school environment, mobile devices are provided for educational purposes in a monitored and secure way.

Aims:
• To manage access to personal mobile devices by students at Hartwell Primary School and to prevent inappropriate use.

Implementation:
1. Students are not to bring personal mobile devices to school unless parents have obtained permission from the Principal.
2. The school does not accept responsibility for lost or damaged student mobile phones.
3. Electronic devices brought to school only with permission of the Principal, must be left at the Assistant Principal’s office or the school office if the Assistant Principal is unavailable.
4. Students with permission to bring electronic devices to school are not to use them within school hours ie. 8.50am to 3.30pm.
5. The Principal may revoke a student’s privilege of bringing electronic devices to school where use is not in accordance with this policy.

Evaluation:
• This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....  October 2013

References: www.education.vic.gov.au