



At Llanedeyrn Primary School, we recognise that pupils begin to develop greater independence in Year 6 as they prepare for transition to secondary school.

This means that we have a specific approach to pupils in Year 6 and mobile phones.

Only pupils in Year 6 are permitted to bring a mobile phone to school.

This is to support pupils during the transition to secondary school, particularly where they may begin to walk home independently.

Use and Storage of Mobile Phones

1. Mobile phones must be handed to the class teacher on arrival each morning.
2. Phones will be placed in the classroom cupboard for the duration of the school day.
3. Phones will be returned to pupils at the end of the school day.
4. Mobile phones must not be used anywhere on the School's premises.

Non-Compliance

If a pupil uses a mobile phone during the school day, they will no longer be permitted to bring a phone to school.

Safeguarding and Online Safety

Parents and carers are responsible for setting clear boundaries with their child regarding safe and appropriate use of mobile phones.

This includes:

- monitoring and limiting screen time and online content;
- ensuring children do not access age-restricted apps or social media platforms, for example, TikTok;
- discussing safe behaviour when scrolling, browsing websites and communicating online.

Parents and carers are also responsible for ensuring children understand how to use their phone safely when out in the community, including:

- not using phones while walking along roads;
- remaining alert and aware of their surroundings;
- being able to recognise and respond to situations that may present a risk.

Our School supports pupils through online safety education, safeguarding lessons and discussion. We aim to educate, supervise and respond but responsibility for mobile phone use outside school remains with families.

Responsibility

Llanedeyrn Primary School accepts no responsibility for loss, theft or damage to mobile phones. Pupils bring mobile phones to school at their own risk.

This policy supports pupil safety, independence and responsible behaviour, in line with #TheLlanWay and Wales Safeguarding Procedures and Keeping Learners Safe (Welsh Government, 2021).