Mobile Phones

We understand that a variety of social changes have made it necessary for some students to carry mobile phones. Personal safety, family circumstances, limited public transport, moving between family residences all make readily accessible contact a necessity.

It is assumed that a mobile phone will **only** be brought to school when this kind of necessity arises.

At Attadale Primary School we require the following in order for mobile phone use to be considered responsible:

- any **essential contact** with a student during the school day must be made through the school office;
- the phone must be **handed to the teacher** at the beginning of the school day, so that it can be kept safely in a drawer of the teacher’s desk;
- the student will **not have access** to the mobile at all during school hours;
- each student’s mobile phone must have a clear **identifying mark** to distinguish it from other students’ phones;
- while the teacher will exercise due care for security in the course of the day, the school can **not be held responsible** for the loss or misplacement of a mobile phone.

A **Formal Request** form must be obtained from the school office before any student will be allowed to bring a mobile phone to school. This form outlines the responsibilities of the family and is required to be signed by both student and parent[s] prior to permission being given.
Formal Request
for permission to bring a mobile phone to school

The Principal
Attadale Primary School
Wichmann Road
Attadale 6156

We wish to request that our child ............................................................... [Full Name]
be permitted to bring a mobile phone to school.

We understand that ......................... [student] will be required to place the phone in the class teacher’s
desk at the beginning of each day; and we accept that while all care will be taken to keep the room and desk
secure, we will not hold the school responsible in the event of loss or misplacement of the phone.

We have arranged for an identifying mark on the phone to prevent mistaken identity with any other student’s
phone, and have made ......................... [student] aware that the phone must not be used at all during school
hours. We understand and accept that all contact during school hours must be made through the school office.

Family Name: [please print] ..............................................

Student’s first name ......................................................

Student’s signature ......................................................

Parent’s Name ..........................................................

Parent Signature ........................................................

Date: ..........................................................

Notes:
The draft policy was initially tabled at the School Council meeting of August 4th 2010. It was formally proposed at
the November meeting of Council and accepted as policy [as part of the Behaviour Management policy
consideration] at the meeting of April 6th 2011.