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# **Polasaí: Guthán Phóca & Gléasanna Cliste Pearsanta**

## **Policy: Mobile Phone & Personal Smart Devices**



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**Nóta: Ní liosta uileghabhálach an liosta seo agus go ginearálta táthar ag caint faoi gléasanna go bhfuil teacht acu ar an idirlín nó go bhfuil cumais cumarsáide ann. Tagann gléas faoin bpolasaí seo má tá na cumais thuas ann fiú muna n-ainmítear go follasach é.**

**Note: The list of personal smart devices mentioned here is not exhaustive and in general refers to devices that have access to the internet / communication capabilities. A device falls under the remit of this policy if it has these capabilities even if it is not listed specifically in this policy.**

<p>Is athbhreithniú uasdátaithe an polasaí seo ar pholasaí a cuireadh le chéile i 2008 agus arna rinneadh athbhreithniú air i 2013. Is í Ríona Uí Cheallaigh a rinne coordanú ar an athbhreithniú seo i bpáirt le foireann agus pobal na scoile.</p> <p>Cuirfear an polasaí seo i bhfeidhm i rith na scoilbhliana 2024/2025</p>	<p>This is an updated review of our Mobile Phone policy that was formulated in 2008 and previously reviewed in 2013. Ríona Uí Cheallaigh, in partnership with the staff and school community has drawn up this review.</p> <p>This policy will be implemented during the 2024/2025 school year.</p>
<p><b>Réasúnaíocht</b></p> <p>Deineadh cinneadh an polasaí seo a chur le chéile toisc an borradh atá tar éis teacht ar an méid paistí le teacht acu ar ghléasanna cliste pearsanta / gutháin phóca / uaireadóirí cliste / taibléid &amp;rl</p> <p>Cruthaíonn úsáid ghutháin phóca agus gléasanna cliste pearsanta (uaireadóirí cliste, taibléid, iPads, iPods &amp;rl) réimse fadhbanna suntasacha a chuireann isteach ar thimpeallacht foghlama sona na scoile.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Go minic cúisíonn na gléasanna seo fadhbanna iompair agus bulaíochta sa bhunscoil.</li><li>• Má tá teacht ar pháistí ar na gléasanna pearsanta seo ar scoil ní bhíonn a n-aird dírithe ar an bhfoghlaim.</li><li>• Cruthaíonn siad comórtas nach bhfuil gá leis i measc daltaí</li><li>• Cruthaítear fadhbanna GDPR &amp; Cosaint Leanaí toisc an cumas a bheith ag na gléasanna seo grianghrafanna, físeanna agus taifead fuaime a ghlacadh, a úsáid agus a scaipeadh.</li></ul>	<p><b>Rationale</b></p> <p>The decision to review this policy arose from the growth in the numbers of children with access to devices such as smart / mobile phones / personal smart devices/ smart watches / tablets etc.</p> <p>The use of such devices (smart watches, smart phones, tablets, iPads, iPods etc) can cause significant issues that disrupt our happy learning environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• They can frequently be the root cause of behavioural and bullying issues in primary schools.</li><li>• Children who have access to such personal devices during the school day can be easily distracted from their learning.</li><li>• They can cause unnecessary competition among pupils.</li><li>• GDPR and Child Protection issues can arise when photographs, videos, voice recordings are taken, used or disseminated.</li></ul>
<p><b>Aidhmeanna</b></p> <p>'Sé aidhm an polasaí seo ná cosc a chur ar ghléasanna cliste pearsanta (uaireadóirí</p>	<p><b>Aims</b></p> <p>This policy prohibits pupils' mobile phones / smart watches / any personal smart</p>


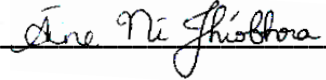


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<p>cliste, taibléid, iPads, iPods &amp;rl) agus gutháin phoca na ndaltaí ar scoil agus ag imeachtaí scoile (m.sh turais scoile). Cruthófar atmaisféar foghlama sábháilte ina bhfuil aird na bpáistí dírithe ar an bhfoghlaim.</p>	<p>devices (smart watches, smart phones, tablets, iPads, iPods etc) on school grounds and during school events (eg school tours). Our aim is to create a safe learning environment for our pupils, free from the distractions of smart devices.</p>
<p><b>Nós Imeachta</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Níl cead ag páistí fón póca/uaireadóirí cliste/gléasanna cliste a thabhairt isteach sa scoil.</b></li><li>2. Ní leor na gléasanna a chur a mhúchadh nó a chiúiniú, ní foláir iad a fhágaint sa bhaile.</li><li>3. Gabhfar gutháin phóca/uaireadóirí cliste/gléasanna cliste a thugtar isteach sa scoil agus ní thugtar ar ais iad go dtí go dtagann tuismitheoir an dalta chuig oifig na scoile lena bhailiú nuair a bheidh an lá scoile thart.</li><li>4. Ceadaítear do leanaí gnáth-uaireadóirí/rianaire corpachmhainne a chaitheamh nach bhfuil ceangaithe le gutháin cliste/an idirlíon.</li><li>5. Meabhraítear do thuismitheoirí i gcásanna éigeandála gurb é Oifig na Scoile an chéad phointe teagmhála agus is féidir a chinntiú go sroichfidh do theachtaireacht do leanbh go tapa.</li><li>6. Le linn gníomhaíochtaí lasmuigh den scoil, más gá teagmháil a dhéanamh le tuismitheoirí, coinneoidh múinteoirí liosta teagmhálaithe.</li><li>7. Faoi mhaoriseacht ball foirne, féadfar cead a thabhairt do leanbh le riachtanais leighis guthán cliste a bheith aige ar scoil. (i.e. monatóireacht ar diaibéiteas/siúcra fola srl.) Ní mór é seo a chur san áireamh sa Plean Leighis/Plean Tacaíochta Scoile. Le linn an ranga, beidh an fón cliste ar bhord an mhúinteora.</li><li>8. Ní mór do thuismitheoirí an scoil a chur ar an eolas i scríbhinn (litir nó ríomhphost) ag iarraidh go gceadófaí dá bpáiste fón póca a thabhairt chun na scoile ar chúiseanna leighis.</li><li>9. Ní ghlacann an Bord Bainistíochta le haon fhreagracht as cailliúint, goid, nó damáiste d'fhóin phóca nó gléasanna leictreonacha ar scoil.</li><li>10. Déileálfar le haon bhriseadh den pholasaí seo de réir Chód Iompair na scoile.</li></ol>	<p><b>Procedures</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Children are not allowed to bring mobile phones/smart watches/smart devices into school.</b></li><li>2. It is not enough to have devices switched off or on silent mode etc., they must be left at home</li><li>3. Any pupil who brings a mobile phone/smart watches/smart device into school risks having it confiscated &amp; not returned until the pupil's parent presents at the school office to collect it after the school day is over.</li><li>4. Regular watches and Fitness trackers/stepcounters are allowed that are not connected to internet/smartphones etc.</li><li>5. Parents are reminded that in cases of emergency, The School Office remains the first point of contact and can ensure that your child is reached quickly and a message passed onto them.</li><li>6. During out of school activities, if parents need to be contacted, teachers will retain a list of contacts.</li><li>7. Under strict supervision of a staff member, a child with medical needs may be permitted to have a smart phone at school. (i.e. diabetes/blood sugar monitoring) This must be included in the Medical Plan/School Support Plan. During class, the smart phone will be on the teacher's desk.</li><li>8. Parents must notify the school in writing (letter or email) requesting that their child be permitted to bring a mobile phone to school on medical grounds.</li><li>9. The Board of Management does not accept any responsibility for the loss, theft, or damage to mobile phones or electronic devices on the school premises.</li><li>10. Any breaches of this policy will be dealt with in line with the school's</li></ol>



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	Code of Behaviour.
<b>Cumarsáid</b> Tabharfar an polasaí seo go gach tuismitheoir sa scoil i rith Téarma 1 2024/2025 agus beidh sé ar fáil ar suíomh <a href="http://www.gaelscoilsairseal.com">www.gaelscoilsairseal.com</a> ag an am céanna.	<b>Communication</b> This policy will be shared with the parents of all children in Term 1 2024/2025 and it will be available on <a href="http://www.gaelscoilsairseal.com">www.gaelscoilsairseal.com</a> at the same time.
<b>Ratification</b> This policy was ratified by the Board of Management of Gaelscoil Sáirséal at a meeting held on 30/09/2024	<b>Daingniú</b> Faomhadh an polasaí seo ag cruinniú Bord Bainistíochta Gaelscoil Sáirséal ar 30/09/2024
<b>An tAth Micheál de Bhál</b>  <b>Cathaoirleach</b>	<b>Áine Ní Fhíobhra</b>  <b>Príomhoide</b>