



NANNUP DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

MOBILE PHONE POLICY - 3 FEBRUARY 2020

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Please discuss the new policy with your child. Both parents and students need to sign the 'Declaration of Understanding' and return this to the school as soon as possible.

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Principal



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DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING

- I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE MOBILE PHONE POLICY.
- I UNDERSTAND THAT IF IT IS NECESSARY THAT MY CHILD BRINGS A MOBILE DEVICE TO SCHOOL, IT WILL BE HANDED TO THE FRONT OFFICE.
- IF MY CHILD BREACHES THE POLICY AND THE MOBILE DEVICE IS CONFISCATED BY A STAFF MEMBER, I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE REQUIRED TO COLLECT THIS FROM THE FRONT OFFICE OR REQUEST IT TO BE POSTED HOME.

PARENT NAME: _____ SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ SIGNED: _____

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RATIONALE:

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