



East Hills Public School

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Device Use in Schools

East Hills Public School supports the restrictions of mobile phones in accordance with the NSW Department of Education: Students' Use of Mobile Phones in Schools policy (<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2023-0480/pd-2023-0480-01>). Mobile phone use in schools can impact student learning and wellbeing.

Restricting mobile phone use at school aims to increase focus in classrooms, remove distractions and promote positive social interaction, while reducing the potential for online bullying. East Hills Public School has strong teaching and learning practices to support students in the classroom using various forms of appropriate technology, which maximises the benefits and minimises the risks of digital environments and prepare students for life beyond school. We foster a safe learning environment which supports and enhances each child's social and emotional health through our wellbeing and learning support teams.

East Hills Public School has elected to use the following approach should a student bring a mobile or device to school. All mobile phones and devices will be handed in and stored in the school office for the full school day, including all three breaks. This is an approved NSW Department of Education option and will limit unnecessary distractions and complement our ongoing approach to ensure every student maximises their learning and social growth in a safe and supportive environment.

Thank you for your support in keeping all students safe and focused on learning.

Donna Casey
Principal

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Deputy Principal