



Polasaí Fóin Póca – Gaelscoil Uí Earcáin

Nuair a thógann dalta a f(h)ón póca ar scoil leo, caithfear;

- a) Lipéid le hainm an dalta a fheiceáil go soiléir ar an bhfón
 - b) An fón a mhúchadh taobh amuigh de gheataí na scoile sula dtagann tú isteach ar maidin
 - c) An fón a thabhairt don mhúinteoir sula dtosaíonn an rang (coimeádtar na fóin i gcófra sábháilte a bheidh faoi ghlas)
- Tabharfar an fón ar ais don dalta nuair atá siad ag dul abhaile ag deireadh an lae agus ní chasfar ar siúl é go dtí go mbeidh an dalta lasmuigh de gheataí na scoile.
 - Is féidir fón póca a úsáid i gcás práinne má tá cead faighte ag an dalta óna mhúinteoir.
 - Más rud é nach dtugann dalta ard ar an bpolasaí seo agus má úsáideann siad a bhfhón póca ar láthair na scoile, gan chead, beidh orthu an fón a thabhairt don mhúinteoir agus beidh ar thuismitheoirí an dalta an fón a bhailiú ón scoil. Iarrfar ar an dalta agus a thuismitheoirí conradh a shíniú chun a léiriú go dtuigeann siad polasaí fóin póca na scoile agus go gclóigh siad leis nuair atá siad ar láthair na scoile agus nuair atá siad ar thurais scoile chomh maith.
 - Má thógtar fón póca ó dhaltá don dara h-uair, coimeádtar sa scoil é i gcóir seacht lá. Má theastaíonn ó na thuismitheoirí an fón a bhailiú roimh dheireadh na seacht lá, iarrfar orthu €5 a íoc. Rachaidh aon airgead a bhailítear mar seo chuig eagraíocht charthanachta.
 - Má thógtar an fón don tríú h-uair, cuirfear an dalta ar fionraí sa scoil. Coimeádtar an fón i gcóir seacht lá sa chás seo chomh maith.

- Má tá aon amhras ar mhúinteoir go bhfuil rudaí mí-oiriúnach stóráilte ar fhón dalta, beidh ar an dalta an fón a thabhairt don mhúinteoir agus iarrfar ar na tuismitheoirí an fón a bhailiú ón scoil. Má cheaptar go bhfuil aon fhianaise a bhaineann le coir stóráilte ar an bhfón, tabharfar an fón chuig na Gardaí chun imscrúdú a dhéanamh air. Cuirfear na tuismitheoirí ar an eolas sa chás seo.
- Beidh an polasaí seo mar chuid de chód iompar na scoile agus má sháraítear polasaí fóin póca na scoile, déileálfaidh an scoil leis mar a dhéanfar i gcás sárú ar an gcód iompar.
- Ní ghlacann an scoil aon fhreagracht i leith fóin pócaí na ndaltaí. Má dhéantar dochar do fón, má ghoidtear é nó má chailtear i láthair na scoile é, ní bheidh an scoil freagrach as an bhfón a athchur. 'Sé freagracht iomlán an dalta nó na tuismitheoirí sábháilteacht an fóin póca.
- Ní ghlacann an scoil aon fhreagracht i leith fóin a ghoidtear nó a chailtear agus na daltaí ag taisteal ar scoil nó abhaile ón scoil.
- Ba chóir lipéid le hainm an dalta a chur ar gach fón póca.
- Má aimsítear fón póca i láthair na scoile agus más rud é nach bhfuil sé soiléir cé leo an fón, caithfear an fón a thabhairt do dhuine dos na múinteoirí.
- Moltar do dhaltaí pasfhocal nó UAP a úsáid ar na fóin ionas nach féidir glaonna neamhcheadaithe a dhéanamh. Ba chóir do dhaltaí a phasfhocal nó UAP a choimeád faoi rún. Níor chóir fón póca nó pasfhocail a roinnt idir daltaí.
- Má úsáideann aon dalta fón póca chun bulaíocht a dhéanamh i gcoinne duine eile, nó chun teachtaireachtaí/glaonna gránna a chur chuig duine éigin, cuirfear gníomh smachtaithe i bhfeidhm faoi mar atá léirithe i gCód Iompar na scoile.
- Ba chóir go mbeadh daltaí ar an eolas go bhfuil sé i gcoinne an dlí fón póca a úsáid chun ciapadh a dhéanamh ar dhuine. Mar sin, beidh sé de cheart ag an scoil dul i dteagmháil leis na Gardaí más gá.



Gaelscoil Uí Earcáin – Mobile Phone Policy

Where a pupil brings a mobile phone to school the phone must be:

- (a) Clearly labelled with child's name.
 - (b) Switched off at the school gate - before entering school grounds.
 - (c) Handed up to the class teacher before class begins - phones will be stored securely in a locked filing cabinet in the classroom.
 - (d) Phones will be returned at home time and not switched on until the pupil is outside the school gate.
- A mobile phone may only be used in an emergency, with the approval of a teacher.
 - Pupils who ignore this policy and use a mobile on school premises, without permission, will be required to hand over their phone to a member of staff and parents will be asked to collect it from the office. Both the parent(s) and the child will also be asked to sign a contract/promise stating that they understand the school's policy relating to mobile phones and that they will adhere to it while they are on the school grounds as well as while they are on school tours.
 - On the second occasion that the phone is confiscated it will be kept in the school for seven days. If the parent(s) wish to collect it before the seven days are up they will be asked to pay €5. All money collected will be given to charity.
 - On the third occasion that the phone is confiscated the child will be required to serve a suspension within the school. The seven day rule will also apply.

- If a teacher has any suspicion that a mobile phone has unsuitable material stored on it, pupils will be required to hand over the phone to a teacher and parents will be asked to collect it from the school. Where there is suspicion that the material on the mobile may provide evidence relating to a criminal offence the phone will be handed over to the Gardaí for further investigation. Parents will be informed in such circumstances.
- The school will incorporate this policy in the school's discipline policy and will treat breaches as they would treat any other breach of school discipline.
- The school accepts no responsibility for replacing lost, stolen or damaged mobile phones. The safety and security of mobile phones is wholly a matter for pupils/parents.
- The school accepts no responsibility for pupils who lose or have their mobile phones stolen while travelling to and from school.
- Pupils should mark their mobile phones clearly with their name.
- Mobile phones which are found in the school and whose owner cannot be located should be handed to a member of staff.
- It is strongly advised that pupils use passwords/pin numbers to ensure that unauthorised phone calls cannot be made on their phones (e.g. by other pupils, or if stolen). Pupils must keep their password/pin numbers confidential. Mobile phones and/or passwords should not be shared.
- Pupils using mobile phones to bully other pupils or send offensive messages/calls will face disciplinary actions as per the School Code of Behaviour.
- It should be noted that it is a criminal offence to use a mobile phone to menace, harass or offend another person. As such, if action as sanctioned by the School in this regard is deemed ineffective, as with all such incidents, the school may consider it appropriate to involve the Gardaí.

