



**SAPPHIRE COAST  
ANGLICAN COLLEGE**

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### Digital Devices

Dear Parents,

A number of students in the senior school regularly have their mobile phone confiscated for the day because of their misuse or lack of compliance with College expectations. The College understands the advantage mobile phones play in society and within families and has tried to maintain a balance by allowing digital devices despite the distraction they create within the classroom. Our students, like most of us, are wired to answer incoming messages without hesitation, many of which come from family and friends. So I implore you that, if you need to contact your child during the school day, please do so via Reception. The College believes that we currently have the right balance in this regard and our expectations regarding the use of 'Digital Devices' are clearly stated on posters in every senior school classroom.

#### Digital Devices

##### **Years 7-10**

Digital Devices are NOT TO BE USED at school and should be switched off and left in bags.  
(Under the direct supervision of a teacher, in class time only, devices may be used for a specific educational task after which these devices should be switched off and left in bags.)



##### **Years 11-12**

Digital Devices may be used during Study Periods in the Library for playing music and Internet access for educational purposes. The volume of such devices must not be audible to others. Social Media sites are NOT PERMITTED at any time.

##### **Year 12**

Digital Devices may be used at Recess and Lunchtime ONLY within the Year 12 Common Room and out of sight of other students.

##### **Please Note:**

Students should remove earpieces when approached by an adult to show respect prior to engaging in conversation.

The College encourages person-to-person communication to develop positive and respectful relationships.

I thank you for your support in working together to maximise the most effective educational environment for your child.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Greg Thornton  
Head of Senior School