Mobile Phone and other electronic devices - Policy

Mobile phones/cameras and other electronic devices such as iPods, MP3s should not be used, heard or seen in class.

Mobile phones and other devices are carried by students at Burwood Girls High School. It is important that students develop good mobile phone etiquette so that when they join the workforce they have developed acceptable usage habits. In order to minimise disruption to teaching and learning and confrontation between teachers and students over their use, the following will apply:

1. Mobile phones and iPods may be brought to school but they should be switched off and stored out of sight during school time, which includes any face to face instruction in class, assembly and afternoon detention. Phone calls and text messaging must not occur during class time.

2. Mobile phones/cameras and iPods should not be brought into any assessment or exam situation. They may be left in bags or surrendered to the teacher in charge.

3. The school takes no responsibility for the safety or loss of mobile phones and other electronic devices.

4. As the Library is part of the school the same policy applies to mobile phones and iPods as if the student was in a classroom.

5. Students who are sick should not use mobile phones to contact parents about going home. Students must report to the front office where parents will be contacted by the school if students are too sick to remain at school.

6. If there is a family emergency we request that parents phone the school on 9747 3355 and the student will be contacted.

7. Students should NOT take photographs during lessons unless it is a designated part of the lesson.