

Policy on the Use of Smartphones and Other Technological Devices

'There is no place for smartphones and other technological devices in the classroom, unless there is a well-considered educational use.'

This agreement applies to primary education starting from the 2024/2025 school year. It is up to the schools to implement this guideline according to their specific situation. This requires a policy. Below, we inform you about the policy in place at BoschAkker Primary School for both smartphones and other technological devices.

Key points of the smartphone policy:

- Upon entering the school building, all students must turn off their phones and other devices. In the classroom, these devices are to be handed in to the teacher immediately.
- Smartwatches and other devices follow the same rules: upon entering the building, they must be turned off and handed in to the teacher in the classroom. There is one clear rule regarding the hand-in of smartwatches: no exceptions are made based on the smartwatch's functions.
- If students start their day at the gym, they must turn off their phones and other devices upon entering the building and hand them in to the gym teacher.

In each class, the teacher will inform the students where smartphones and other devices can be stored.

Please note: BoschAkker Primary School is not responsible for loss, theft, or damage to any devices brought to school.

Consequences for non-compliance with the policy:

- The first offense will result in a warning, and the student will receive their device back after school.
- The second offense will result in a second warning, parents will be notified, and the student can pick up the devices after school.
- The third offense will result in parents being informed again, and the student can retrieve the devices together with a parent at a time when the teacher is present.

After three offenses, the cycle restarts.

We ensure that we monitor the implementation of the policy and communicate effectively with parents. Additionally, we provide suitable storage options in each class so that students and teachers can easily follow the policy.