



STREATHAM & CLAPHAM PREP SCHOOL

Name of Policy: Use of Mobile Devices in EYFS

ISI Regulation: Welfare, Health and Safety of Pupils and Other Legislation

ISI Paragraph: Safeguarding

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Legal Framework

This policy has been written with regard to Keeping Children Safe in Education 2026 (KCSIE), the Guidance for Safer Working Practice for Those Working with Children and Young People in Education Settings (Safer Recruitment Consortium), and the Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage 2026, which requires safeguarding policies to include procedures on the use of mobile phones and cameras. It should be read alongside the Staff Handbook, the ICT Acceptable Use Agreement, and the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

- In accordance with the Staff Handbook, personal mobile phones or devices must not be used, or kept on a member of staff's person, when EYFS children are in the same room, including during lessons. Personal phones are kept out of sight and reach of EYFS children at all times, and are stored in the teacher's office.
- Only school-owned iPads, phones and cameras are used to take images in the EYFS, and only for school purposes.
- Throughout the setting all persons in the EYFS are required to adhere to the *ICT Acceptable Use Agreement* on the use of mobile phones and cameras — specifically, that images of pupils may not be stored on personal devices.
- On outings, each class teacher will take a school mobile phone to take photographs and make calls if needed; personal phones remain unused for the duration of the outing.
- Smart Watches must be set to aeroplane mode when in the EYFS setting.

Any concern about a breach of this policy, or about a colleague's use of a mobile device or smart watch near EYFS children, should be reported immediately in line with the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

Monitoring and Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed every year; all staff will be reminded of these procedures as part of staff annual safeguarding training.