

YONDR PHONE POUCHES

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

What is YONDR?

The Yondr program employs a simple, easy-to-use case that stores a mobile and requires an unlocking base to open. When students enter school grounds they will place their phone in a Yondr case which is then locked.

Students maintain possession of their phones but will not be able to use them until they are unlocked at the end of the day.



Why is this happening?

The QLD Education Minister has announced mobile phones and certain wearable electronic devices like smartwatches will be banned at all Queensland state schools during school hours – including break times - from Term 1, 2024. Students will still be able to bring phones to school so that they can contact their parents or carers immediately before or after school hours.

How does it work?



Arrival

Upon entry to school, the student's phone will be placed inside a Yondr pouch.



Lock

Once inside, the pouch will be locked. Students will maintain possession of their phone at all times.



Unlock

Students tap their pouch against the unlocking base when exiting the school.

FAQs

What if I want to reach my student through the school day?

We want our students to be engaged in their learning. We ask parents to refrain from contacting their students during the school day but understand that sometimes this is not possible. To reach your student please email them, or for urgent matters you are able to phone the school office on 3480 4777. If you know your student will be leaving early on a particular day, please enter this into COMPASS or send your student with a note.

How will my student unlock their YONDR pouch in the morning and afternoon?

Unlock stations are positioned along the walkways leading to King Street and Isobel Street. Students touch their pouches to the unlock station to release the magnetic lock, its "tap and go". The YONDR team has visited our school and worked out the number and location of unlock stations that is required to ensure a quick departure each day for our students. We will trial this in Term 4 and make adjustments if required.

Will my student's phone be safe?

Students are in possession of their phone (inside their Yondr pouch) for the entire school day. They will be taken with students into classrooms for every lesson.

How will my student pay for lunch from the canteen?

Students can use their ATM card or cash to purchase food from the canteen. If your student does not have an ATM card they are encouraged to request one from their bank before the start of Term 4.

How will my child access their timetable?

We are a BYO Device school. Students can access their timetables from their device at the end of each class. Students can also print paper timetables from the library during break times.

How much is the pouch? What if it gets damaged or lost?

Students will be provided with one Yondr pouch free of charge by Clontarf Beach SHS in 2024. The pouch remains the property of Clontarf Beach SHS. Parents will be invoiced \$20 for the replacement of lost or damaged pouches. Misuse or mistreatment of the pouch will result in consequences for the student.