



# Maroon Outdoor Education Centre Mobile Device Policy

To enable the program to be optimally beneficial for students it is Maroon OEC policy that mobile devices such as phones, smart devices, electronic games and music devices are **not permitted by students** at Maroon OEC unless such a device is necessary for an individual students' health or wellbeing.

The mobile device policy at Maroon OEC promotes student educational achievement, wellbeing and engagement by:

- disconnecting from the digital technology to enhance social interactions between students
- providing optimal learning and teaching environments
- promoting the health and wellbeing of students through increased social interaction and physical activity
- experiencing an extended period of time away from social media

It is expected that:

- Students will be fully advised of the Maroon OEC Mobile Device policy regarding the possession and use of all mobile devices prior to arrival at Maroon.
- Student mobile devices should be collected by the visiting school staff as soon as possible upon students' arrival and stored in a locked location for the duration of the students stay at Maroon OEC.
- Visiting school teachers are asked to accept responsibility for this policy.
- Maroon OEC teachers will accept responsibility for implementing this policy during **any** curriculum activity whether that be on-site or off-site including bushwalking or overnight campout.
- Students failing to comply with Maroon OEC policy will be required to hand over their mobile devices to a teacher with collection/return to occur at the end of the program.
- Maroon OEC will accept no responsibility for loss or damage to any mobile device that has been brought to camp.

## Teachers and Accompanying Adults

To enable the program to be safe and optimally beneficial:

- Mobile devices can be used discretely during non-program time.
- Mobile devices are only used during curriculum activities for professional reasons. Discretion is required when students are present.