



Dear Parents,

We will be making our school a phone-free space to improve teaching and learning using a system called **Yondr**. Yondr has been implemented in over 3,000 schools across 18 countries to facilitate an engaged learning environment. We are confident Yondr will have a positive impact here as well.

We believe that phones have great utility. We have also found that learning and social behaviour improve drastically when students are fully engaged with their teachers and classmates.

The Yondr Programme utilises a simple, secure pouch that stores a phone. Every student will secure their phone in a personally assigned Yondr pouch when they arrive at school. Students will maintain possession of their phones and will not use them until their pouches are opened at the end of the school day. Students are required to bring their Yondr pouch to and from school each day and are responsible for their pouch at all times.

Yondr recently surveyed over 900 school partners to measure the effects of creating phone-free educational environments. These schools achieved notable progress in multiple areas:

- **65% of schools saw an improvement in academic performance.**
- **72% of schools saw an improvement in student behaviour.**
- **84% of schools saw an improvement in student engagement in the classroom.**
- **86% of schools saw a positive impact on student safety and wellness.**

If you have questions or in case of an emergency, call the school on 049 9523112.

In an effort to best serve your child, we appreciate your full support in adoption of the Yondr Programme at our school.

Thank you,



Anne Conaghan
Principal.



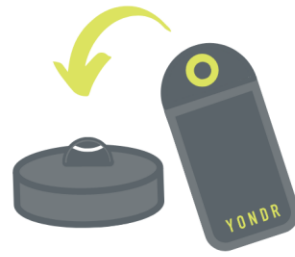
How Yondr Works



As students enter school, they place their phone in their assigned Yondr Pouch.



Students close and secure their Pouch, keeping it on them throughout the day.



When leaving school, students tap their Pouch on a Base to retrieve their phone.

Frequently Asked Questions

What if I want to reach my child during the school day?

We want our students to be engaged in their learning. If you need to contact your child during the school day, contact the main office on 0499523112

Will my student's phone be safe?

Students are in possession of their phone - in their Yondr pouch - for the entire school day. We will advise students to store the pouch in their school bags or locker where it will be safe.

What if the Yondr pouch gets damaged or a student is caught on their phone?

If a student damages their Pouch or is caught on their phone, the phone/Pouch will be collected.

- **The Parent will pick up their child's phone after school**
- **AND/OR Consequences may include In-School Suspension / Detention**

Damaged pouches will be billed to parents at a cost of €30

Note: Damage consists of any signs that the physical integrity of the pouch has been compromised, whether intentional or unintentional, as determined by the school or Yondr staff.

