

Dear Guyra Businesses and Community Organisations,

Guyra Central School is writing to inform you that our school a phone-free space from the beginning of Week 6 Term 4. We understand that mobiles have great utility, but mobile phone use has increasingly become a source of distraction, antisocial behavior and conflict both at home, at work and at school.

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. During lessons that require or would be enriched by the use of mobile phones, unlocking stations would be provided for an educational purposes.

**This may affect your operating procedures, particularly in regards to covering expected vacancies. We would hate for our students to be disadvantaged and thank you for your support in this new policy.**

**We would like to invite you to call Guyra Central School's front office, (02) 6779 0844, to leave a message with students If absolutely necessary.**

We believe this will allow our students to be:

- Engaged in classroom activities and assignments
- Less dependent on electronics to do classwork
- Less likely to engage in conversations around bullying
- Less likely to be distracted and procrastinate on assignments in class

Sincerely,

Executive Staff of Guyra Central School