



4th March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Mobile Phone Procedures in School: From Summer Term

I am getting in touch to inform you that from the start of the Summer Term, week beginning the 28th April 2025, we will no longer allow any student to have a mobile phone on them during the school day. We hope sending this letter now will give you time to support your child with this.

Every school has a duty to create an environment that is calm, safe and free from distraction so all students, whatever their background, can learn and thrive. One of the greatest challenges facing schools is the presence of mobile phones. Today, by the age of 12, 97% of students own a mobile phone

Students who choose to use a mobile phone as a form of entertainment and distraction on the school bus will be required to hand their phone into reception as they get off their bus. Phones and other devices are then placed in a wallet and locked away until the end of the day.

At the end of the day all phones and devices are then signed back to each student.

If we discover that a student is using their mobile phone or similar device during the school day, we will contact you to come and collect it.

Our students' needs are wide ranging and complex. However, trying to take an individual approach to the use of phones and devices causes confusion. In this case we have made the decision to have a blanket approach, in line with Government guidelines, e. g All schools should develop and implement a policy that creates a mobile phone-free environment by prohibiting the use of mobile phones and other smart technology with similar functionality to mobile phones throughout the school day, including during lessons, the time between lessons, break times and lunchtime.

In the case of an emergency, you can contact the school office, and we will pass on the message to your child. We will also support calls home from your child if this will make them feel more comfortable. Students using a mobile device to manage their medical condition will continue to do so.

Please remind your child about the rules around mobile phones. We rely on your support to help our students concentrate in lessons without distraction and maintain our high standards of engagement.

If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Mark White



Headteacher

