

15<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

As you are aware, we have a clear policy in school with regards the use of mobile phones. Whilst we are aware that pupils may need phones with them in order to communicate with home before and after school, our policy is that they should not be visible during the school day.

This decision was taken for wellbeing reasons. Studies show the significant detrimental impact that constant use of mobiles has on young people. With the recent lock down and lack of opportunity to mix socially, never has it been more important than ever for young people to discuss and chat face to face - away from the screen.

We have noticed an increase in phones at school since our return from lock down. Pupils seem almost glued to their screens. This is not healthy.

We are therefore taking a strict stance with phones as of this week. Pupils with a phone will be given a warning. Repeat offenders will have phones confiscated and locked away for you to collect.

I know you will support me with reinforcing this expectation in school. I thank you in advance for this.

I will talk through this with pupils in assembly this week.



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