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Dear Parents and Carers,

Mobile Phone Arrangements from September

We are committed to creating an environment which is focused on learning and free from all distractions.

Updated national guidance regarding the use of mobile phones in schools states that schools must become settings where students do not have access to mobile phones throughout the entire school day - including during lessons, the time between lessons, breaktimes and lunchtime. We are aware that our pupils travel to school across a wide, often rural, area and parents may have concerns about being able to contact their child on their journey to and from school.

If you choose to allow your child to bring a mobile phone to school, it must be switched off before entering the school site and stored in their bag throughout the day, including at the beginning and end of the school day.

This approach allows students to continue carrying their mobile phones safely and responsibly while ensuring that the school remains a phone-free learning environment.

Students found accessing or using a mobile phone during the school day or otherwise failing to follow the school's mobile phone expectations, will have their phone confiscated.

- In the first instance, the device will be retained by the school until the end of the next school day and the student will be able to collect it from Student Services. An after-school detention will be issued.
- The second time, the device will be retained by the school until the end of the next school day and a parent or carer will be required to collect it. An after-school detention will be issued.
- The third time, the device will be retained by the school until the end of the next school day and a parent or carer will be required to collect it. A suspension will be issued and the student will be banned from bringing a mobile phone into school.

For Sixth Form students, the new guidance makes provision for students in Years 12 and 13 to use their mobile phones in designated Sixth Form-only areas. As a result, students will be permitted to use their mobile phones in the Common Room, Coach House and Sixth Form Resource Area when they are not in timetabled lessons should they wish. However, mobile phones must remain stored in their school bag when students are moving around the rest of the school site. Any student found using a mobile phone outside these designated areas will be subject to the same consequences as students in Years 7 to 11.



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Thank you for your continued support as we implement these changes and work together to maintain a positive learning environment for all students.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Hardwick
Headteacher

