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Mobile Devices Policy #SG45

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware, the Government has strengthened the law regarding school-aged pupils having access to mobile phones and other devices during school hours. The legislation was passed in April and came into force on 1st September.

We have always taken a pragmatic approach to mobile phones, recognising their usefulness when travelling on school transport, for example. Therefore, we have not adopted a total ban. Instead, we require pupils to hand in their devices on arrival at school and collect them at the end of the day. This practice is well established amongst our pupils, and the system is highly effective.

In line with the legislation, we have reviewed our Mobile Devices Policy, and Governors have approved an updated version, which is available to view on the school's website. As part of this review, we have ensured that the policy is applied consistently and that there are clear consequences for pupils who refuse to comply by using their mobile phones during school hours.

To avoid unnecessary discussion, the rule is simple: devices should be handed in and therefore should not be seen or heard during the school day. Any mobile phone that is seen or heard must be handed in when requested. Failure to comply with this policy may result in sanctions being applied, up to and including suspension.

I would like to thank and recognise our pupils for the maturity they show in following the rules regarding mobile devices. I am confident that we will rarely need to use the sanctions process and that it will remain a measure of last resort.

Kind regards,

Matt Lake

Deputy Headteacher



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