

30 June 2020

Dear parent/carer

Mobile phones 2020/21

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation throughout partial closure due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. I would also like to reassure those of you that are joining us for the first time that we are eagerly anticipating a time, when the rules allow us, to welcome you into the Academy, in person.

This letter is to advise you that there will be a change to the Trust and Academy mobile phone policy from the Autumn Term.

From September 2020 or when students return following partial closure if this is later, mobile phones will not be allowed to be used by students at any time during the Academy day. Whilst we accept that students may carry a mobile phone on journeys to and from the Academy, they are not to be used on our Academy site at any time, unless part of an agreed supervised teacher led activity. Although this will not apply to the vast majority of students, it is important that you and your child are aware that for any students not following this rule there will be a serious sanction, including your child being expected to hand their phone over to a member of staff. If your child should need to contact home during the Academy day they should go to Student Services during a break.

We trust that you will support this change in policy in order that our students can be focused on learning and positive social interaction throughout the Academy day, without the distractions associated with their mobile phones. Please discuss this with your child so that they understand and are prepared for this change.

Yours sincerely



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