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Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to remind you that we allow students to bring their mobile phones to school to support the safeguarding of students travelling to and from the academy, however, once a student is on the school site the mobile phone should be kept in their bag. **It should not be on their persons or in their trouser pockets.** Any phone that is not in a student's bag, is visible or is on their person may be confiscated and parents may be asked to come and collect the mobile phone at the end of the school day.

Under no circumstances should a student use their mobile during the school day. Should a student need the use of a phone they must go to their pastoral support manager to use the office phone. This forms part of our safeguarding practices.

May I also remind you that smart watches, ear pods or ear phone equivalents should not be brought into the academy. If students use ear phones when travelling to and from school, then they should be placed in their bags before entering site and remain in their bag for the duration of the school day. Smart watches with a cellular connection should not be worn to the academy.

Any item brought into the academy is at the student's own risk and the school reserves the right to confiscate and then return items at the end of the school day where appropriate.

All students must attend the academy in full school uniform. This includes footwear. May I remind you that school shoes must be black and leather or leather substitute and trainers or canvas shoes are not permitted. Any student in the incorrect footwear will be asked to change their shoes. Should a student have a medical exemption then a letter must be seen from a hospital consultant or a general practitioner. School trousers should be black and straight leg. They should not be close fitting and legging style trousers are not permitted. School skirts should be knee length and should not be made of lycra.

Nail polish is not part of our uniform standards and should not be worn in the academy. Students wearing nail polish will be asked to remove it. Nail extensions are not permitted.

Yours sincerely

Mr Haq
Deputy Headteacher