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A Voluntary Academy

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Regarding: Mobile Phones in School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

After undertaking a thorough consultation, we have decided on how best to apply our mobile phone policy. Whilst, the pandemic highlighted the positive side of using devices to develop learning, it also revealed the impact of cyberbullying and the ease with which dangerous websites could be accessed. The key factor in resorting back to our original approach was that we cannot guarantee what all our pupils will be accessing if they are allowed to use their phones. We have introduced the uniform report card which also tackles the misuse of a mobile phone, but we now need to go further so that we ensure our pupils are safe from any online issues. Our mobile phone policy is clear in that they cannot be used to disturb learning, to record or to take photographs. You need written permission from the Headteacher to photograph or record whilst in school.

We advise that pupils do not bring mobile devices into the school. Mobile devices and accessories such as headphones **must not be visible**. However, we do recognise that some parents may wish their child to have a mobile device with them as they travel to and from All Saints'. **Any mobile devices brought in should be both switched off and put away whilst on the premises.**

We do not take any responsibility for loss of, or damage to, mobile devices. Inappropriate use of devices in school will result in confiscation without notice (they may subsequently be obtained by parents from Reception). Should you need to contact your child in an emergency, please use the main school number 01706 213693.

The Headteacher reserves the right to make the final decision on what is, or what is not, appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

Mr B McNally
Headteacher