Use of Mobile Phones and Personal Devices

At our school, the safety, wellbeing and engagement of our Pupils are our priority. To support a calm, focused and socially connected environment, mobile phones and personal devices are not permitted for use during the school day.

As part of this approach:

- Pupils are asked to leave mobile phones at home **or** hand in mobile phones and personal devices at the start of the day, where they are stored securely and returned at the end of the day.
- Pupils are supported to understand the safe, responsible and appropriate use of technology, including online safety, digital boundaries and respectful communication.
- If a Pupil needs to contact their Parents/Carers, they will be supported to use a school telephone.
- We kindly ask that Parents/Carers contact their child through the school office wherever possible. Where there is a specific need, exceptions may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

We appreciate that some Pupils may feel a strong attachment to their mobile phones. However, adherence to these expectations is a condition of a Pupil's placement at the school. School Leaders reserve the right to review placement arrangements where there is a refusal to comply with this approach.

This reflects national guidance, including the *Schools and Wellbeing Act 2026* and Department for Education expectations, and supports us to maintain a safe, consistent and distraction-free learning environment for all Pupils.