

## **Dear Parent**

## **Mobile Phone Policy**

I would like to remind students and parents of our localised behaviour for learning policy, concerning our approach to mobile phone use within school. There has been an increase in mobile phone use within school since returning from the holidays, thus we have made a few adjustments to help reinforce our expectations. The school will adopt a staged approach:

**Wave 1:** The first time within an academic year where a student is caught using a mobile phone in school the student is required to hand the phone over to the member of staff. They will ensure that the phone is labelled and secured safely in reception. The phone will be returned without sanction at the end of the school day.

The school will send a letter home informing you that the phone has been confiscated and what will happen if the offence is repeated.

**Wave 2:** The second time within an academic year a similar process to wave 1 is followed. This time, the phone will be stored safely until a parent comes into school to collect the phone.

The school will send a letter home informing you that the phone has been confiscated and safely stored until collected by a parent; and will outline what will happen if the offence is repeated.

**Wave 3:** The third time within an academic year a mobile phone is used by a student in school a similar process to wave 2 is followed, the phone will be stored safely until a parent comes into school and collects. If the decision is made by parents for students to continue to bring in their mobile phone despite reaching Wave 3; then the student must hand in their phone daily to student services before 08:30 for the school to store safely and return at the end of the day.

The school will send a letter home informing you that the phone has been confiscated and safely stored until collected by a parent. The letter will outline the daily procedure if the parent chooses to continue to allow the student to bring in their phone.

NB: Refusal to hand over mobile phone upon staff request is defiant behaviour. Students will be given one 'verbal warning', if they fail to comply, they will be taken to our internal exclusion room until they hand in their phone.

Mobile phones are brought into school at students / parents' own risk. Oasis Sholing will not take any responsibility for lost or damaged phones.

Your sincerely

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