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Dear Parents and carers

RE: Mobile Phones – Year 6

It has come to light today that a small minority of Year 6 children have been using their mobile phone whilst in school.

Today I have spoken to all of the Year 6 children about the school expectations around their mobile phones, reminding them of the following:

- We allow Y6 children to bring their mobile phone to school for safety reasons, as many of them walk to and from school independently of an adult
- Mobile phones must be handed to their teacher at the start of each day.
- They should not be visible when they are on the school site, ensuring that they are not used when on the school site, including the start and end of the day.
- If they fail to follow these expectations, the mobile phone will be confiscated by a member of staff and their parent/carer will be expected to collect it. We would recommend in these circumstances that parents do not collect it for at least 1 week.

I have explained to the children that, unlike school computers, we are unable to assess the content of what they are accessing and unable to check the security settings of their device. Therefore, we cannot safeguard them from unsuitable content.

To reiterate, this relates to a handful of children, with the majority following our school expectations each and every day.

We ask that you continue to support us in this matter by reminding and reinforcing with your child the expectations listed above.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Emma Levers

Head of School