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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you following the recent decision by the House of Lords to support a legal ban on the use of smartphones by pupils during the school day. In light of this national direction, we are taking the opportunity to review our current approach to mobile phones in school.

At present, any mobile phone that is seen or heard during the school day is confiscated, and pupils are able to collect it at the end of the day. However, we are increasingly concerned that this sanction is not providing a strong enough deterrent, and a significant number of pupils continue to breach this important school rule, some frequently.

To ensure a consistent and safe learning environment for all pupils, we will be strengthening our approach. When a mobile phone is confiscated, pupils will be expected to attend a break time detention the following day. Should a pupil not attend this detention this will be escalated through our usual process.

Furthermore, where there are persistent breaches of expectations, we will require parents and carers to support the school by not permitting their child to bring their device to school at all. This measure will apply only to pupils who repeatedly disregard the current rule. Parents and carers of any pupil in this situation will be contacted directly by our Safeguarding Lead, Mr Harris.

We remain committed to ensuring that school is a focused, calm and safe place for learning, and we appreciate your continued support in this matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Clare Morgan
Headteacher



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