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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Mobile Phone Policy

We wrote to you in April to notify you that we are proposing a change to our mobile phone policy as from 1 September 2019. This draft policy is now available on our website.

This proposed change would mean that students will still be allowed to bring their mobile phones to the Academy. Phones must be switched off and in their school bags at all times until classes are dismissed at the end of the school day.

This change is in response to significant evidence about impact of mobile phones on the mental health of young people, and also as a result of our student bullying survey which cited social media as one of the most prolific forms of bullying.

The proposed sanctions for misuse of mobile phones will not change from the current policy.

### Changes to the School Day

From September we will be making changes to the lesson times of the school day as shown below. The start and finish times will remain the same.

Session	Start	Finish	Bell
Tutorial (am registration)	08:35	08:55	08:30, 08:35 & 8:55
Period 1	09:00	10:00	10:00
Period 2	10:05	11:05	11:05
Break	11:05	11:25	11:20 & 11:25
Period 3	11:25	12:25	12:25
Period 4 (pm registration )	12:30	13:30	13:30
Lunch	13:30	14:10	14:05 & 14:10
Period 5	14:10	15:10	15:10

If you have any questions with regard to the proposed mobile phone policy or the changes to the day please don't hesitate to contact the Academy

Yours sincerely,

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