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Dear Year 6 Parents

Mobile Phones in School

In preparation for the return to our school site next week, I have been considering mobile phones and our Year 6 children. I understand that in Year 6 children's independence is developing and that many parents feel happiest with their child walking home alone with a mobile phone with them.

We are also aware that the number of children with mobile phones has rocketed and the likelihood of them bringing them to school is high. The value of the combined number of phones potentially coming into school is therefore significant and because of this we need to have a mobile phone agreement in place (similar to the bike/scooter agreement).

Our intention is that this agreement is supportive and helpful, but that it also safeguards the phones and their use within the school grounds.

The agreement will outline the rules that will ensure:

- 1. Mobile phones are kept safe during the day.
- 2. Parents have given permission for their child to bring their phone to school (no-one is sneaking them out!).
- 3. All phones are used in accordance with our rules.

If you would like your Year 6 child to bring their phone into school from Tuesday 17th October, please ensure that the Google Form in the link has been completed in line with the agreement overleaf.

I will be sharing the rules and expectations with the children when they return to site next week.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs B Black Headteacher



HPSAJS MOBILE PHONE AGREEMENT

- 1. Children will only be able to bring their phone to school IF their parent has completed the Mobile Phone Agreement form.
- 2. All mobile phones must be switched off as children enter the school grounds and NOT switched on again until they have left school grounds.
- 3. Mobile phones must be placed in their class box (kept on the teacher's desk and then kept in the school office during the day) on entry to school each morning, the children must tick their name on the register (so we have a record of phones in school that day).
- 4. Mobile phones are not covered by HPSAJS school insurance.
- 5. Should these rules not be adhered to, the permission to bring their phone to school will be revoked.

Please complete this form if you would like your child to bring their phone into school.

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