



Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**Re: Reminder – Changes to the Academy’s policy on mobile phones**

If you need any clarification on the information below, or if a translation would be helpful, please use the following link: <https://translate.google.com/>. Please note that this tool is provided for convenience, and the Academy cannot take responsibility for the accuracy of its translations.

Following my previous letter, I am writing to provide a brief update and reminder about the upcoming changes to the Academy’s mobile phone policy. As of **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**, all students who bring a mobile or digital device to school will be required to secure it in a locked, signal-blocking ‘Hush’ pouch at the start of the day and unlock it when leaving school site.

Last week I delivered assemblies to all students, where I explained the reasons behind this decision and showed them the short video. There will be further discussions with the Student Council around how to ensure the introduction of the pouches is smooth and beneficial to all.

We are grateful for the thoughtful questions and feedback received from families so far. We will be updating and re-issuing the MKA FAQs next month to include any additional questions that have come in.

As a reminder, you do not need to do anything further if your child will be bringing a phone or other device to school and there are no medical exemptions.

However, if your child **will not** be bringing a phone or other device to school, or if there are any **medical exemptions**, you need to complete the Microsoft Form (link below) by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. If either of these apply to your child and you have already completed the form, we will be in touch with you in due course.

**[Link to Microsoft Form: Mobile Phone Policy - Devices & Exemptions Form - May/June 2026](#)**

**Support and further information**

- **Student assemblies and demos** will be taking place in May.
- **A ‘How To’ video** is attached to this letter and will be available on our website in due course.
- **MKA’s FAQs** are attached to this letter and will be available on our website in due course.
- **Hush website:** <https://www.hushpouch.com/>
- **Hush FAQs** (when available): <https://www.hushpouch.com/faqs>
- **DfE guidance:** [Mobile Phones in Schools](#)
- **Policy Exchange report:** [Disconnect: The Case for a Smartphone Ban in Schools](#)



We appreciate your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please refer to the FAQs or contact the school office for further support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gordon Farquhar', written in a cursive style.

Gordon Farquhar  
Principal