

**Dear Parent/Carer** 

As you will be aware, we have a strict mobile phone policy at Ruskin Community High School. If a student brings their phone into school, this must be switched off and in their bags. If a mobile phone is seen or heard, it is confiscated and the Parent/Carer is called, requesting for the phone to be collected.

Students should ensure that their mobile phones are away as soon as they come onto the school site and they should not use them until they have left the site at the end of the day. Any phones seen at any point will be confiscated. Confiscated phones are taken to Student Services and locked away until collected by a Parent/Carer.

If students are feeling poorly or feel they need to contact home, they should go straight to Student Services who will support them. It is not acceptable for students to use their phone to contact home themselves and there will be a sanction for this should this happen.

The Department for Education have recently released guidance for mobile phones in school. This supports our policy, with the overarching message to prohibit mobile phone usage throughout the school day and confiscating when necessary.

We always strive for a safe and calm environment for our students to learn and socialise in, away from any distractions. Thank you for your continued support for our mobile phone policy and please do remind your child that their phone should be away for the entirety of the school day, as soon as they walk through the gates.

I do hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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