

7<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Families,

As we, hopefully, move into a warmer weather period I wanted to write to you to confirm our expectations regarding summer uniform.

- All students may wear tailored black school shorts – these need to be totally black and not sports shorts.
- Students should continue to wear either their jumper or blazer to school each morning but will be allowed to remove them if they get hot.
- A reminder that shoes need to be all black and not fabric 'sports' shoes.
- Can I please ask you to have conversations at home about skirt lengths for girls and also wearing trousers around the waist rather than around the knees for boys. Staff do not want to see students' underwear at any time.
- A reminder that leggings are not allowed in place of school trousers.

We are also seeing an increase in students who are handing their phones into the office in the morning because they have lost their Yondr pouches. We will be collecting names and asking parents to purchase a new Yondr pouch for those repeatedly doing this.

The office phone store is for those who have genuinely forgotten their pouch, or those who usually do not bring a phone with them to school but need to for a single day, and not a daily option because it is overwhelming our reception staff.

This is especially important over the coming weeks because, from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May, our GCSE and A level students are starting their examinations and a number of them will be signing in at reception and we want to keep this area calm and quiet.

If anyone is struggling to afford to pay for a replacement pouch, please let us know and we will try to help. A replacement pouch costs £15 and is available via Scopay.

If your child does not bring their phone to school, they should have applied for a 'no phone card'.

[Our Phone-Free School – Fill out form](#)

This card needs to be shown on the gate each morning to duty staff. If these have been lost, then a replacement can be purchased for £2.50 from the school office.

On another note, we are very excited about the upcoming St Ives Trip and hope everyone has a fantastic time. We also have lots of other trips and events as we move through the summer term and plenty of time to collect more House points in the competition for the House Cup and subsequent Sports and Rewards Days.

With very best wishes



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Headteacher