



**ST. MARY MAGDALENE**

**C OF E SCHOOL**

**SECONDARY PHASE**

*Excellence through innovation,  
founded in faith since 1840.*

**FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS**

Mrs Claire Harrison and Mrs Victoria Wainwright

**PRINCIPAL**

Mr Razwan Hussain

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Re: Rewards, Mobile Phones and Uniform**

I hope that you and your family had a restful and enjoyable half term break.

As we begin the summer term, I would like to share some updates regarding our rewards system, mobile phones and uniform.

**Rewards**

After much consultation with staff, parents and students, the decision was made not to change our current reward system but to improve and enhance it. There are a lot of positive things we currently do as a school; however, we need to ensure that this is consistently celebrated with parents and carers. The expectation of our teaching staff is to award 1 or 2 R2's every lesson and 1 R3 per week.

R3 rewards are celebrated weekly and this will now be updated on the school's website and on Satchel. In addition to this, the names of students receiving R3's will be displayed around the school. As a new initiative each student awarded with an R3 will also receive a coloured wristband during achievement collective worship. The wristband will show the 3 R's 'Respect, Resilience and Responsibility'. Students can use their wristbands to queue jump for break or lunch for 1 week.

**Mobile phones**

As you are aware, we operate a strict policy on mobile phones which we strongly believe is essential to maintain a safe, focussed learning environment in school for all. Your support as parents/carers, in achieving this is both essential and greatly appreciated. Our mobile phone expectations are clearly set out in the school's behaviour policy. Essentially, mobile phones are not to be seen or heard during the school day.

This extends to after the last lesson, until students have left the school building. If, in an emergency, students need to contact home (or you need to contact them) this will always be possible via reception. If phones are seen or heard, they will be confiscated for a week on the first occasion. Students know this rule; if their phone is confiscated they must accept it and learn from it. If a student fails to hand their phone in, they will receive a consequence in line with our behaviour policy.

**Uniform**

As always, the new term provides a good opportunity to ensure students have full school uniform. Students must always come to school in the correct uniform. When we return we will conduct our normal, full uniform checks which will include:

- Blazer
- Tie
- Black leather shoes (no trainers)
- No hoodies or tracksuit tops
- No make up
- No acrylic nails
- No fake eye lashes

As always, thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain the highest standards for our students.

Your sincerely,

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