The ContinU Plus Academy

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Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

In line with the new government guidelines and to prevent harm coming to our students during the course of the school day we are strengthening our response to pupils who refuse to hand in their mobile phones and use them in class.

Our expectations are as follows;

- All mobile phones are to be handed in by pupils upon entering the building. These will be stored in a named folder in a secure location during the course of the day. In the rare exception where a pupil needs to use their phone this will be through parental notification to the headteacher via the office at the start of the school day and these phones will be kept in the headteachers drawer.
- All mobile phones will be returned to pupils via tutor time at the end of the day.
- Any mobile phone that is smuggled into school against school regulations and is used by the pupil in school time will be confiscated and held at the school office securely until a parent can collect it, either after or prior to a full school day. (prior to 8:45am or after 3pm).
- Pupils are provided with food during the school day or can bring in their own lunches, therefore they have no need of their phones for Apple Pay in school time.
- In the event of a school trip where a pupil may need Apple Pay for purchasing, we would prefer that pupils brought money but will make special arrangement in these instances with your permission.

Thank you for your support with this, as mobile phones and access to social media disrupt and upset our school community. These new rules will be in place from Monday 11th March. Do not hesitate to call me, the head or the school office if you need any further clarification.

Many Thanks, Sara and the staff at the CPA







