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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of another successful academic year at Cardinal Wiseman Catholic, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we have celebrated many achievements and have seen our young people demonstrate resilience, ambition, kindness and determination in all aspects of school life.

As we look forward to the new academic year, I would like to draw your attention to some important updates regarding our uniform expectations and the use of mobile phones in school.

Uniform Expectations

We are proud of our school uniform and the sense of belonging and identity it provides. Uniform standards contribute positively to our learning environment and reflect the high expectations we have for all pupils.

Please note that there will be some amendments and clarifications to our uniform policy for September. Full details will be available on the school website and communicated separately before the start of term. We ask all parents and carers to review these expectations carefully and ensure that pupils return in September fully compliant with the school uniform requirements.

Mobile Phones in School

The Government has made its position clear regarding mobile phones in schools. The default position is that mobile phones should not be present in school. Where pupils do bring a mobile phone for safety or travel reasons, it should be switched off throughout the school day, stored securely in a bag and not brought to anyone's attention.

At Cardinal Wiseman, our priority is to ensure that pupils are fully engaged in learning, free from distraction and able to build positive relationships with their peers. Research continues to demonstrate the benefits of reducing mobile phone use during the school day, both for learning and for wellbeing.

From September, we will therefore be implementing stricter procedures regarding mobile phones:

- Any mobile phone that is seen, heard or used during the school day will be confiscated.
- Phones will not routinely be returned directly to pupils.
- Parents or carers will be required to collect confiscated devices from school.
- Repeated breaches of the policy may result in additional sanctions.



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We would be grateful if you could discuss these expectations with your child over the summer break so that they fully understand the reasons behind this approach and the importance of complying with school rules from the start of the new academic year.

Our aim is not simply to enforce rules, but to create an environment where every child can flourish academically, socially and spiritually without unnecessary distractions.

Thank you again for your continued support, we remain committed to providing the very best education and opportunities for all our pupils, inspired by our mission of **Omnia Pro Christo – Everything for Christ**.

I wish you and your family a peaceful, restful and enjoyable summer break, and we look forward to welcoming pupils back in September for another exciting year ahead.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Burtonwood
Principal



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