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10<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

At All Saints Academy we firmly believe in our vision of "Living Well Together with Dignity, Faith and Hope". Part of that vision is the importance we place on ensuring that social media does not intrude on our community and that staff and students are protected from online abuse. Although we permit the use of mobile phones in the Café until 8.30am, they are banned within the Academy from 8.30am until the end of the Academy day.

We would be grateful if all families could reinforce our expectations with their children as follows-

- Mobile phones may only be used in the Café before 8.30am
- At all other times, mobile phones should be switched off and in bags
- Any filming of students or staff on the Academy site poses a safeguarding risk and can lead to isolation and/or exclusion.
- Mobile phones must be handed over promptly if requested by a member of staff
- Calls to parents/carers must be made and received from Student Reception

Any student whose phone is confiscated during the Academy day must serve a 20 minute detention before it is returned. Students who repeatedly breach our mobile phone policy will have their sanction escalated and parents/carers will be involved. We would like to thank you, in advance, for your support and know that you will understand the importance we place on keeping everyone safe at the Academy.

Yours faithfully



Elaine Boyd

**Vice Principal (Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare)**