

30th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Mobile phone ban in school

We are writing to inform you of an important change to our school policy regarding mobile phones. From **Monday 7 July, 2025**, students at Levenshulme High School will no longer be permitted to use mobile phones during the school day. This includes break times, lunchtimes, and between lessons and is in line with government guidance around mobile phones and their use in schools.

This decision has been made after careful consideration and consultation with the school community. Our aim is to create a learning environment that is focused, respectful, and free from unnecessary distractions.

Why this change is positive

- **Improved focus and learning:** Research and experience show that removing mobile phones from the classroom significantly improves concentration and academic performance.
- **Better social interaction:** Without phones, students are more likely to engage with one another face-to-face, building stronger friendships and communication skills.
- **Reduced incidents of bullying and misuse:** Mobile phones can be a source of online bullying and inappropriate content. This policy helps protect students from these risks.
- **Health and wellbeing:** Limiting screen time during the school day supports better mental health and encourages more active, mindful breaks.

We understand that mobile phones are often used for communication before and after school. Students may still bring phones to school, but they must be **switched off and kept out of sight** throughout the day. Any phone seen, used or heard during school hours will be confiscated and returned in line with the information below.

In the event of any urgent communication needed between students and home during the school day, this is still possible via the school office.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing this message at home. Together, we can ensure that our school remains a safe, focused, and respectful place for all students to learn and grow.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours faithfully,



Miss D Johnson
Co-Headteacher



Mr N A Johnson
Co-Headteacher

First time phone used, seen or heard	<p>On call – phone confiscated and stored in the relevant Pastoral safe</p> <p>C2 given by class teacher</p> <p>(If outside lesson time, phone confiscated on the spot and taken to relevant Pastoral office – C2 recorded by confiscating teacher)</p> <p>If confiscation takes place during P5, phone to be confiscated the following day.</p>	<p>Parents/carers informed and phone collected from Pastoral office by student between 3:00 and 3:20pm</p>
Second time	<p>As above, with confiscating member of staff recording the C2, but Pastoral team increase sanction to C3</p>	<p>As above, with escalated text message</p>
Third time plus	<p>As above, with sanction possibly increasing</p>	<p>Parents/carers to collect phone at end of school day, from 3:00 to 3:20pm at reception</p>