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Dear Parents and Carers,

As technology moves forward, the range of electronic recording devices available to children has increased. With this in mind, we have reviewed our Bring Your Own Device Policy. After much consideration regarding what is feasible within school, previous concerns regarding incidents in KS2 and relevant statutory polices such as Keeping Children Safe in Education, we have made the following alterations:

- Pupils are not to wear/bring in a smart watch that has a function where recordings/photos can take place. Step counters, heart rate monitors etc. are all fine.
- Pupils are not allowed to bring mobile phones into school.
- The only exception to this rule is where a child may be going home to a different household due to parents living at different addresses. In this case, the children are asked to leave the phone in the office to ensure that it is safe and secure. This also means no recording functions can be used.
- Parents are asked to inform the class teacher via email if this is the case.

This decision has been discussed with Governors and we feel it is in the best interests of the children at St John's and it is in line with current Government safeguarding advice.

Many thanks,

Mrs. Poynton.

"SHINE like the star you are."











