Halton Community Combined School
2026 – 2027 academic year

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Mobile phone code of conduct

Pupils:

- Pupils may bring a mobile phone in to school however these will be switched off and collected by the class teacher during registration. All phones will be placed in a lidded container and put in to a lockable cupboard in the classroom. Phones to be redistributed at the end of the day but switched on until outside of the school premises.

- Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 are **not** permitted to bring mobile phones in to school.

- No phones to be used on the school site by pupils, including outside where they line up ready to enter school, Kids Kapers or at any after school clubs.

- Phones are not to be brought or used by pupils at PTA events such as the school disco or Community Day.

- Phones are not to be brought on to school premises to take photographs or moving images.

- Phones are not to be brought on to school premises to access the Internet or Apps.

- Phones will be confiscated if the above rules are broken. (Schools are permitted to confiscate phones from pupils under sections 91 and 94 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006). The Headteacher and/or members of the Senior Leadership Team will liaise with parents to inform when this has happened and the device will need to be collected by a parent or carer at the end of the school day.

Outside of school

- Certain types of conduct, bullying or harassment can be classified as criminal conduct. The school takes such conduct extremely seriously, and will involve the police or other agencies as appropriate. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to:
  - Sexting
  - Threats of violence or assault
  - Abusive calls, emails, social media posts or texts directed at someone on the basis of someone's ethnicity, religious beliefs or sexual orientation

- In accordance with the **DfE guidance Behaviour and Discipline in Schools, September 2022, s**chool will work in partnership with children and parents to uphold consistently high expectations of their behaviour at all times. This includes when children are outside of school or online, therefore inappropriate use of mobile phones which will have an impact on the life and running of the school will be addressed by Senior Leaders.