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Dear Parents and Carers,

As outlined in our previous communication sent on 18th June, a number of changes will be coming into effect on Monday 6th July with regards to our mobile phone policy in school. We kindly ask all Parents and Carers to ensure that they are aware of these changes and to support us in implementing them consistently.

Bower Grove will be moving to a school where **mobile devices should not be used on the school premises** in line with DFE guidance stating schools should be “mobile-free environments by default.” This means pupils should not use their devices during lessons, between lessons, or during break and lunchtime. We recognise our pupils travel some distances to and from school and use their technical devices to support these journeys. Pupils are able to continue using their devices on transport.

For this reason, the following will apply:

- Pupils in Years R–9 will continue to hand in their devices as usual to their Class Team.
- Pupils in Years 10 and 11 will have the option to sign a mobile devices agreement. This is to support our children to learn how to manage keeping their devices safely. If a contract is signed by all parties, the device needs to be kept safely away...” not seen not banned.”

Your continued support is greatly appreciated and plays an important role in helping us maintain a focused, positive, and safe learning environment for all pupils.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "M Cleave". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mrs M Cleave
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