



30<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Mobile 'phones**

As you are aware, in June 2016 The Kingsway Academy made the decision to ban the student use of mobile phones from student arrival onto academy premises, to their departure from academy premises on any given day. *Your support for this decision was overwhelmingly positive and our students responded very well.* Since June 2106, we have been delighted to see a reduction in negative mobile phone issues.

We now feel that it is an appropriate time to remind students that mobile phones should not be used on the academy site and if this does occur, in the first instance, their mobile phone will be confiscated and returned at the end of the day. If there is a recurrence, we will be asking parents/carers to collect the confiscated phone. We hope that you can reinforce this message in your conversations at home.

We fully appreciate that it is a parental decision to provide a mobile phone for children's safety and use, particularly on the way to and from school. The increased use of mobile phone technologies is now part of society, but the acceptable and unacceptable use of mobile phone technologies continues to be a prevalent issue within both society and schools.

We are confident that with your continued support, the students of The Kingsway Academy can continue to focus on.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs E Dickinson**  
**Vice Principal**

