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Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Year 11 information relating to electrical devices and examinations

As we are at the beginning of this year's summer examination window, we felt that this was the ideal opportunity to remind students and families of the regulations regarding technological devices and assessments.

The JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications, the body responsible for Examinations) state that the possession of a mobile phone or other unauthorised electronic device is not allowed - even if you do not intend to use it. You will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification from the exam/qualification.

We are reminding all students and families that devices with potential technological / web enabled access such as mobile phones, iPods, MP3/4 players, smart watches and fitness trackers are not permitted.

Ideally, we would prefer that such items are not brought to school at all, however, if they are, they should be **turned off** and be placed in the bag and coat storage area at the front of each row in the examination room.

We have recently purchased metal detecting wands to assist us in identifying any potential examination breaches, although we will only consider their use should an issue of concern arise.

If a student is found to be in possession of any unauthorised item after the start of the examination, the device will be confiscated and a full report will be submitted to the examination board who will take the necessary action in accordance with the JCQ Rules and Regulations on Malpractice. This may result in a disqualification from a particular subject or all of the subsequent examinations this summer.

Please discuss the contents of this letter with your child to reinforce and reiterate the exam board regulations on mobile phones and devices.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Yours faithfully

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