



Barrs Court Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Smart Watches and Digital Devices in School

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to remind all parents and carers of our school's policy regarding smart watches and digital devices.

We have recently observed an increase in children bringing smart watches and other digital devices to school. While we understand that these items are often seen as convenient and helpful, they can be distracting in the classroom and disruptive to learning. Additionally, smart watches with messaging, cameras and internet capabilities present safeguarding concerns.

For these reasons, we are reinforcing our existing policy that **smart watches and any other digital devices should not be brought to school**. If a child is found wearing or using a smart watch during the school day, it will be removed and securely stored. The watch will be returned to parents or carers at the end of the day.

This policy applies to all digital devices, including but not limited to smart watches, tablets, small digital games and similar electronic gadgets. The only exception to this rule is in the case of a mobile phone for our older children in Green Area. Phones must be turned off at the gate and handed to a school adult when they enter the building.

We ask for your support in ensuring that your child does not bring any such items to school. Our focus remains on creating a distraction-free environment, enabling all students to concentrate fully on their learning.

If you have any questions or need to discuss this policy further, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Daniel Webster

Headteacher



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