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Dear Parents/Carers

As you are aware Harris are going to be a phone free school after May half term. At present you have not requested to purchase a pouch, which will mean you child **will not** be permitted to bring a phone in to school after May half term. We will be carrying out whole school checks to search for mobiles and non-compliance will be sanctioned.

Sanctions will include phones being confiscated and only returned to parents after a 24 hour period. Additional sanctions will follow for persistent non-compliance.

Daily process:

- When they arrived at school each day students will switch their phone off and lock them into the pouch for the day.
- They will keep this in their bag until leaving site,
- They will be able to unlock the devices using the magnetic fobs placed on the outside of the building when they leave.

We appreciate that parents do want their children to have access to their phones for their journeys to and from school and so phones would be available again to students at the end of the day.

The pouches are still available to buy until **7 April via Wisepay** and so if you want to purchase one, please do so before the deadline. If you decide to purchase one later the delivery times is six weeks and during that time your child will not be allowed to bring a phone to site.

Please remember **if your child does not have a pouch, they will not be allowed to bring their phone to school after May half term.**

Yours faithfully

Mrs R Harrison
Headteacher