



15 July 2026

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Mobile phone rule change update

Thank you for all your support with the mobile phone rule change that was introduced at the start of this half term. The students have responded with great maturity and mobile phone use is almost zero in school.

As we look forward to September, I am writing to clarify a few things to ensure transparency and consistency for all students across year groups. The basic rule is unchanged, students are not allowed to have their phone in their bag or on their person during the hours of 8.30am to 3pm; this includes phones switched off and at the bottom of their bag. If they chose to bring a phone to school, it must be stored in a locker or other pre-arranged area in school.

From September 1 2026:

- All records of mobile phone confiscations will be reset so everyone starts the year with a clean record.
- The policy for the first two occasions a phone is confiscated will remain. Students will receive a detention and can collect their phone at the end of the day from Reception and you will receive an email.
- If a student has their phone confiscated a third time, it will need to be collected from reception by a parent or carer or it will be held for overnight and returned to the student at 3pm the following day.

If you wish to read further details, please read the school behaviour policy [Soham Village College - Policies](#)

Kind regards,

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