



3rd July 2026

Mobile Device Update: Day to Day Procedures

Dear Families

Firstly, thank you for your overwhelming support following my previous letter outlining the new changes to mobile devices in schools. I am now writing to you to outline our day to day procedures of using the Yondr Pouches. I presented to students today in assembly where I spoke about the reasons for this change and the day to day procedures to ensure there is a smooth transition in September.

Yondr Pouches

Students will be issued their own personal Yondr Pouch which will have an identification number on it. The Yondr Pouch remains the property of the Academy and must be returned when a student moves on from their time at Ansford.

Beginning of the Day

Students must bring their Yondr Pouch to school with them each day and place their mobile devices (e.g phone, smart watch and AirPods/Earbuds) inside the Yondr Pouch and lock it.

End of the Day

Students will open their Yondr Pouch by tapping it against an unlocking base. Students will keep their closed Yondr Pouch in their school bag overnight.

Late Starters or Early Leavers

Students arriving late to school should put their mobile devices in their Yondr Pouch as they are signing in with a member of staff at reception. Students leaving site early should unlock their Yondr Pouch with a member of staff at reception as they sign out.

Spot Checks

Staff (teaching and non-teaching) will carry out routine spot checks during the day to make sure that Yondr Pouches have not been damaged and that mobile devices are secured within them.

Yondr Pouch Damage or Lost Yondr Pouch

If a student damages or loses their Yondr Pouch a replacement Yondr Pouch will need to be purchased by the parent. In the interim, we will collect their phone and store it at the reception. Yondr Pouches will be available to be purchased on Arbor for £18. Once purchased, the replacements can be collected from Reception.

Deliberate Yondr Pouch damage will be dealt inline with our school behaviour policy.

Mobile device seen during School

If a student is found in possession of a mobile device outside of a Yondr Pouch, these will be confiscated and this will result in an appropriate sanction in line with our school behaviour policy.



In the instance of any refusal from students an appropriate sanction in line with our school behaviour policy will be issued.

Forgotten Pouch

If a student forgets their Yondr Pouch, mobile devices will be collected by a member of staff and they will deliver it to reception for storage. This will result in an appropriate sanction in line with our school behaviour policy.

If a student consistently forgets their Yondr Pouch, it will be considered lost. Therefore, a new Yondr Pouch must be purchased and the student will not be allowed to bring their phone to school until they have a new Yondr Pouch.

Accidental Damage

In the event of accidental damage, please notify the school immediately explaining what happened. If any damage is spotted at a Yondr Pouch check it will be considered intentional unless a student has raised the issue of damage in an appropriate manner - e.g discussion with their tutor.

No Mobile Devices in School

If your child is not bringing a mobile device into school or does not own a mobile device parents need to complete the following [google form](#) to inform us.

Voluntary Contribution

As mentioned in my previous letter we will be funding the initial purchase of these Yondr Pouches. You'll appreciate purchasing 500 pouches at £18 will be a significant cost to the school so we are therefore politely asking for a voluntary one-off contribution towards the cost from those families who feel able to support this. I am exceptionally grateful to those families able to contribute, but appreciate this comes at a time of increased financial pressures, so this is certainly not an expectation. If you are able to make a contribution please use the Arbor app and go to the 'trips' section. The minimum payment has been set to £1 and parents can decide the voluntary contribution in the 'make a payment' box.

As ever, I appreciate your continued support.

Kind Regards

Karl Musson
Headteacher