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Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year!

Firstly, thank you for your support with the two charity events arranged by our students prior to the Christmas break. We were able to deliver three crates of food stuff donations to the Hope Centre on the last day of term, helping to support the most vulnerable people in Derby over the Christmas period. The Christmas Jumper Day in support of Derby Kids Camp raised over £800. Our students clearly understand the importance of charity and it's wonderful to see how determined they are to support those less fortunate than themselves.

Secondly, I would like to ask for your continued support regarding students' use of mobile phones or other similar electronic devices, such as smart watches, during the College day. It seems that many of our students have received new mobile phones or smart watches for Christmas and last week we saw an increase in the inappropriate use of mobile devices around the College.

The rules regarding the use of mobile phones or similar electronic devices in College are as follows:

Mobile phones and electronic devices must not be used during lessons unless students have been requested to use them for educational purposes by the teacher. Students may use phones at breakfast or lunch to briefly check their timetables or Show My Homework. At no point, in sessions or at break times, should students use mobile devices to check social media accounts or take photographs or videos of staff or students.

I have reiterated the information above to students and I am sure that they will adhere to the rules set out above. I will be discussing the matter in more detail at the next Student Council meeting.

Please discuss this issue with your son or daughter and please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this matter. Safeguarding has the highest priority at the College and we want to support our young people in using mobile devices in a positive, safe and productive manner.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Brannick'.

Ms A Brannick
Principal

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