

Winsford

Academy

GOING PHONE FREE

Your
Questions
Answered


Dear students,

We're teaming up with Yondr to make our school a phone-free zone.

We really care about making our school a great and safe place for you all to learn. Studies show that having phones in class can affect how well you do at school.

Yondr is a system used all over the world, even at concerts, comedy shows, weddings, and other special events. As part of this system, you will get a simple case to keep your phones safe during the school day. The diagram below shows how this will work.

We've put together some FAQs to answer any questions you might have.

		
<u>CASE</u> As you enter school, your phone and other mobile devices will be placed in a Yondr case	<u>LOCK</u> Once inside the case will lock. You'll maintain possession of your phone at all times.	<u>UNLOCK</u> At the end of the school day we will unlock your phone.

Your Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: Why can't we use phones in school?

A1: Using phones in school can sometimes cause problems like bullying and make it hard for us to learn. Phones can also make it tough for us to remember things and pay attention.

Q2: Can we use phones during break and lunchtime?

A2: No, we have to keep our phones in special pouches all day, even during breaks. This helps stop problems and makes sure we focus on having fun and being with our friends.

Q3: How can my parents contact me during the school day?*

A3: If your parents need to talk to you, they can call the school reception, and they'll get a message to you.

Q4: How can I contact my parents during the school day?

A4: If you need to talk to your parents, you can go to reception or ask your head of year for help. They'll call your parents for you.



Q5: What if I'm feeling anxious and want to use my phone to talk to my parents?

A5: If you're feeling worried, adults at school can make the calls for you. They're there to help.

Q6: How will I know my timetable without my phone?

A6: Don't worry! You'll get a small card with your timetable on it. If you lose it, just ask your form tutor for another one.

Q7: How can I check the time without my phone?

A7: All our classrooms have clocks, so you can always see what time it is during the day. We are going to have lessons to make sure that you know how to tell the time using a clock.

Q8: How does the school know my parent's number in case of emergencies?

A8: The school keeps all the important numbers in a special system. If anything changes, you can tell them.

Q9: Will the pouch damage my phone?

A9: No, the pouch is like a cosy home for your phone. It won't get damaged in there.

Q10: What if I lose my Yondr pouch?

A10: If you lose it, you will need buy a new one. The cost is £25.00.

Q11: What if someone breaks my pouch?

A11: If it gets broken on purpose, your parents might need to pay for a new one.

Q12: What if I forget to unlock my pouch at the end of the day?

A12: No worries! You can come back to school, and someone will help you unlock it.

Q13: What will happen if I get caught on my phone?

A13: If you're caught, we will take your phone until the end of the day. If it happens a lot, your parents might need to come to get it.

Q14: How will I know my lunch number for pre-orders?

A14: Your form tutor will have the lunch numbers and tell you during registration.

Q15: Is our school the only one with a 'no phone' rule?

A15: No, many schools don't allow phones during the day. Even schools nearby, like Middlewich and Hartford, have the same rules.

Q16: What about other gadgets like Apple watches and earbuds?

A16: All those cool gadgets need to go in the pouch too, just like our phones.

Q17: What if an after-school event is cancelled? How will my parents know?

A17: They'll send a message through SIMs or ClassCharts to let your parents know if something changes.

