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Dear Parents/Carers

Attached is the School's 'Bring Your Own Technology' policy that will need to be completed and returned to school if your child intends to bring their own device to school in 2019.

The policy needs to be read and signed by both you and your child.

On 13 December 2018 the Department announced that mobile devices (with telephone network capability) will be banned during school hours in primary schools. The government is currently working on the implementation of this ban and we will provide more information as it becomes available.

At school all precautions are taken to ensure the devices are used appropriately and the departmental firewall only allows certain child friendly sites to be accessed. This can be supported at home by ensuring at all times that you are aware of what your child is viewing and how they are using their device. In particular please monitor your child's access and use of social media. No child should have social media accounts under the age of 13 years. Access to such accounts increases the risk of online bullying.

We also strongly recommend that children do not use or have access to their devices in their bedroom overnight.

Regards

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