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## Smart Watches in School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has come to my attention that some children are wearing smart watches with cameras in school. Unfortunately, at least one of these children has been using their watch to take photographs of the staff and other children without their permission.

As you can imagine, we are extremely concerned about this and it is unacceptable for photos to be taken of anyone in school without their knowledge and/or permission. Additionally, as we are unable to monitor the use of smart watches when children are changing for PE or in the toilets, we have no choice but to say that smart watches must not be brought into school. Please note – this applies only to watches with a camera function or those which can record sound.

I am sure you will understand the reasoning behind this decision; our sole concern is to ensure the safety of all the children.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Mr K Riley  
Head of School

