
9th October 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Yondr electrical device and mobile phone pouches – Monday 12th October Roll Out

Thank you to all the parents who have shared their reason for their child to be granted permission to access their phone to and from school as we move to a NO electrical device school and mobile phones school meaning Hanham Woods Academy is now a phone free school.

If you made a payment for a Yondr pouch before the deadline of Saturday 4th October then your child will be issued with a pouch on Monday 12th October, in our first wave of issue. We would invite those students to bring their phone to school on Monday 12th so they can be issued their Yondr pouch and be compliant with our policy.

If you made a payment following this date your child will still get a pouch, but in our second wave before the end of term.

If you haven't ordered a pouch and would like your child to have access to their device to and from school (not on site), please log in to SCOPay and purchase a Yondr pouch for £15.00. This is the only facility we offer for those families opting for this option as we can not safely store multiple devices. We will monitor future payments and issue pouches within a week of the payment being made, where possible.

If your decision is that your child **will not** bring a phone to school, they do not require a pouch.

We will have a systematic approach to our morning welcome to the Academy where students will be guided every day to (turn their phone off, place and lock in their pouch and be ready for learning).

Power down, Pouch up, Ready for Learning. Enter the Academy.

Students without a phone will be checked for devices, along with random spot checks throughout the school day to ensure students do not have their devices with them and potentially access them. This is in line with the new legislation for them being a prohibited item. If phones/electrical devices are found in possession of any student this will hold the sanction of a half day suspension. Parents will be required to support this policy and collect their child and device from school.

The electrical device policy here: [Electrical Device Policy](#)



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Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Kath Cooper

Senior Principal

Hanham Woods Academy