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BRYNTIRION COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As we continue to work together to support our students in developing as well rounded, confident and ambitious learners I am writing to remind pupils and parents of our expectations as agreed in the school prospectus and outlined below:

HAIR AND GENERAL APPEARANCE

Parents are expected to encourage pupils to observe acceptable standards in dress and appearance. Hair should be a sensible length, style and colour (no unnatural hair colouring is allowed). Vision must not be impeded by hair. Make-up must not be worn in school, and neither should hair cosmetics be used, especially in the Science Laboratories and Technology Workshops.

JEWELLERY

The only jewellery which may be worn is one small plain stud in the lobe of each ear. Pupils are not allowed to wear any other form of body and facial jewellery in the interests of their own health and safety.

With regards to mobile phones, in the prospectus it states that 'it is strongly recommended that mobile phones be left at home'. However, following a series of incidents involving inappropriate use during the school day, mobile phones are not allowed to be used on the school site unless authorised under supervised conditions in a class environment. Any mobile phone brought onto the school site must be switched off by pupils and left in their school bag. If for any reason a pupils needs to use their phone during the school day, they should speak to their Head of Year or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Any unauthorised use of mobile phones will result in confiscation until the end of the school day. If this is repeated, then parents will be asked to collect the mobile phone from the main office.

An additional concern is the consumption of energy drinks by pupils before and during the school day. These drinks are a health concern for students due to the high sugar content and also result in some significant changes in behaviour. Therefore, energy drinks are also not allowed on the school site and we encourage parents and pupils to consider the health impact of their consumption.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. We really value the excellent relationship between home and school at Bryntirion, supporting our students to excel in their learning. We are proud of our students and seek your co-operation in ensuring pupils abide by these rules.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

