



# The Astley Cooper School

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been lovely to see all of your children back this week, prepared for learning and looking forward to a great year. We have made a few changes over the summer and information about these are below.

## Phone pouches

The students responded well to using their phone pouches which I believe will support students' mental health, focus in lessons and improvement in academic outcomes. Students will keep their phone pouches in their school bags, unlock them on the way into school, put their phone inside and lock them. Students will unlock their phone pouch as they leave school. This will ensure that you can remain in contact with them on their journey to and from school.

## Equipment

We have provided a pencil case to all those who arrived without this week. Please can you ensure that your children arrive at school with the correct equipment to assess their learning and to limit disruption to their learning.

## Toilets

The ground floor toilets are available for students to use all day, every day. If a student desperately needs the toilet during a lesson, they should ask their teacher for permission. Students with medical conditions that may require a toilet pass can access this through their Head of Year. Additionally, the first floor toilets will be available during break and lunch time to increase the capacity that was available to them during the last academic year. All students have been made aware of this during their assemblies yesterday and today.

## Uniform

Students must arrive at school in the appropriate uniform and again your support with this is important. Please make sure that your children leave the house in the morning in the appropriate uniform. Students who arrive at school with incorrect uniform will be given the correct item to wear for the day.

Raising academic standards at this school and improving the opportunities your children have in the future is important to me. The changes above are to ensure all students are in lessons and learning as much as possible.

Thank you in advance for your support in reading and sharing this information with your children.

Yours sincerely

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