



12<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Bristol Brunel Academy, we are committed to creating a learning environment where every student can thrive. Our young people are growing up in a complex world, spending time both online and offline. While this brings many opportunities, it can also create academic, social and emotional challenges.

From **Monday 6th July**, we will be introducing a phone-free programme. This is not simply about reducing screen time, it is about giving students the opportunity to focus, think deeply and fully engage in their learning in a supportive environment. To support this, we will be using the Yondr system, which has been successfully implemented in schools across Bristol and the UK.

### How the Programme Works

Each student will be given a pouch which is a secure lockable case for storing personal devices. Students will take responsibility for bringing their pouch to and from school each day. We have bought each student a pouch.

- **On arrival:** Students will switch off all smart devices (phones, AirPods, smartwatches), place them in their pouch and lock it in front of a member of staff.
- **During the day:** Students will keep the locked pouch in their bag or locker.
- **At the end of the day:** Students will unlock their pouches at designated stations before leaving school.

This process is quick, simple and will be supported by staff as part of the daily routine.

Student safety remains our top priority. In the event of an emergency, we will continue to follow our usual procedures. If you need to contact your child during the school day, please do so via the **main school office** or your child's **year team mobile phone or landline**.

### Information Sessions for Parents

To help with this transition and answer any questions, we will be holding short information sessions, for parents and carers, which we ask you to sign up to.

#### **Dates:**

- Monday 29th June
- Tuesday 30th June
- Thursday 2nd July

**Time:** 5:30pm – 6.15pm

**Location:** Main Hall

To provide us with an idea of expected numbers, please complete the survey below to let us know which session you would like to attend:

[Information sessions for Yondr phone pouches – Fill in form](#)

We will be preparing our students for the launch in the coming weeks through assemblies. I will be writing to you again with additional information regarding the Yondr launch next week.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to create a calm, focused and positive learning environment for every student.

Yours sincerely,



Jen Cusack

Principal



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