

7th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Introducing our phone-free school day with Yondr

Action needed now — please respond by Tuesday 15th September 2026

Every family must complete our short Parental Declaration Form, whether or not your child brings a phone to school. This confirms your child's phone details and cannot be skipped. It takes two minutes:

[Parental Declaration Form: Mobile Phones — Fill in form](#)

From September 2026, Lowton Church of England High School is becoming a phone-free school, using the Yondr pouch system. This is a positive change that supports our ethos of Caring, Learning and Succeeding, helping us to provide calmer, more focused lessons, and a safer, happier day for every pupil.

The change is simple. Each pupil will have their own lockable Yondr pouch. At the start of the day, their phone, along with any smartwatch, earbuds, or headphones, is placed inside and locked. The pouch stays with your child, in their bag, all day, and is unlocked as they leave. Your child keeps their own phone at all times; it is simply locked away until home time.

What you need to do

Please complete our short Parental Declaration Form by *Tuesday 15th September 2026. Every family must complete it, whether or not your child brings a phone to school.* It records the details we need to identify your child's phone, or confirms that they do not bring one. Please complete the form using the following link: [Parental Declaration Form: Mobile Phones — Fill in form](#)

When will your child receive their pouch?

Pouches will be issued on a year-group rolling programme, beginning on **Thursday 17th September 2026**. We will send you a message once your child's year group has been issued with their pouches, so you will know exactly when the new routine begins for them.

Finding out more

Our parent guide is published alongside this letter and explains the daily routine and answers the key questions parents may have about the new approach to mobile phones. The full Personal Electronic Devices (Including Mobile Phones) Policy is available on the school website. We encourage you to read this information carefully, as it sets out the sanctions for non-compliance. Pupils who do not bring their pouch will have their phone confiscated until the end of the week, and any pupil found on the school site with an unpouched phone is likely to receive a suspension.

 **CARING, LEARNING
AND SUCCEEDING**

We recognise that the introduction of Yondr pouches may create some anxiety for pupils. Please be assured that we will explain the expectations to pupils in detail ahead of issuing the pouches. Pupils will be given time to ask questions, and we will make sure they fully understand the procedures ahead of the launch.

Reminder: if you have not already done so, please complete the Parental Declaration Form by Tuesday 15th September 2026. Every family needs to respond.

Thank you for your support in helping us create a calm, safe, and focused school where every child can learn and thrive.

Yours faithfully,

Jane Galbraith

Headteacher