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Dear Parent/Carer,

The academy would like to remind all pupils and parents that e-cigarettes and vapes are considered banned items from the academy premises and should not be brought on site under any circumstance.

If brought on to school site, the item(s) will be confiscated and parents/carers will be contacted regarding their return. Pupil sanctions will also apply as per the academy behaviour policy. Further sanctions will apply if a pupil was found to be smoking the banned item on or near to the school site.

Should a pupil be suspected to have a banned item on their person, staff members are authorised by the head teacher to use common law in order to search pupils' pockets and/or backpacks in line with the search and screen section of the academy behaviour policy.

Vaping and e-cigarettes come under the same law as smoking cigarettes. This law says that it's illegal to sell these products to someone under the age of 18. It's also illegal for someone else to buy them for a person under the age of 18. This law exists to prevent young people from getting addicted to nicotine and to protect their health. If a young person under the age of 16 is seen in public with a vape or e-cigarette, then the police can confiscate it.

Thank you in advance with support in encouraging a healthy lifestyle for your child.

Yours faithfully

Ms M Page
Assistant Headteacher

