

## **Becton School**

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RE: E-Cigarettes and Vaping

Dear Parent/ Carers,

It has become increasingly apparent that some children may be in possession of e-cigarettes or vapes during the time they are attending Chapel House.

In school we will be speaking to the students about this but I would ask for your support at home. Could you please have a conversation with your child to remind them that the legal age to buy or smoke cigarettes (including vapes) in the UK is 18. E-cigarettes are a prohibited item and should not be brought into school.

If we suspect your child is in possession of a cigarette, e-cigarette or vape on school premises the item will be confiscated and we will be asking parents/carers to come and collect such items.

You will also find attached to this letter information that has been put together by Smoke free Sheffield 'with support from' Action on Smoking and Health (ASH), Greg Fell, Director of Public Health Sheffield, and other local authorities, across Yorkshire and Humber which provides support for parents/carers to have conversations with children and young people to make informed decisions about smoking and vaping.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Mel Kilner Head of School (Hospital Education) Becton School

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