Friday 15 November 2024

**Dear Parent/Carer,**

I hope that your child has had a successful two weeks at Bluecoat Aspley campus – we have very much enjoyed welcoming everyone back to one site!

Keeping our students safe both in school and to and from school is always our key priority and therefore last half term, we reviewed our practice of allowing students to bring electric scooters onto the school site. As you will be aware, having a personal electric scooter is legal in the UK but it can only be used on public roads/footpaths if the user has insurance to ride it. You will also be aware of a number of stories that have been in the press regarding the fire risk posed by some modified electric scooters and also the potential personal injury risk of riding an electric scooter without a helmet.

It is with all these considerations in mind, that electric scooters are no longer allowed on the school site. If a student chooses to bring an electric scooter, it will be confiscated, and the parent/carer will be called to come and collect. Students are of course very welcome to come to school by bike (wearing a helmet) or non-electric scooter if they would like to and store them in our shelters throughout the day. Please ensure that they have a lock to secure it safely. Parents and students are responsible for any bikes or other items that their child uses to get to or from school. If you would like to discuss this any further, please do make contact with your child’s year leader.

Thank you for your support in ensuring the safety of our students to and from school.

Yours faithfully,

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Mrs Sarah Anderson

Principal of Bluecoat Aspley Academy