

ALDER COPPICE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achievement through Commitment

Headteacher: Mr P Mandelstam

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Dear Parents,

AIRTAGS AND TRACKING DEVICES

Following a meeting last week, the Governing Board have formalised the School's position on Airtags and Trackers. They have made the decision that no Airtags or other similar Tracking Devices are to be brought into school or used on day visits or residential visits for any reason.

This decision has been made based upon a range of points around Safeguarding, Learning, Well-being and Privacy. Some of these points include the following:

- Privacy – such devices are capable of listening in and recording and therefore pose a privacy risk to other pupils and staff.
- Disruption to Learning – Airtags can emit sounds/alarms if they are not connected to a device after a period of time. If this were to happen, this would cause disruption to learning for a whole class.

If you decide that you wish for your child to walk to and from school on their own, this is not an acceptable reason for them to have Tags or Trackers in their bags/clothing, as this will not in itself keep your child safe.

Such devices have now been added to relevant policies, and should they be brought into school they will be confiscated in line with our Uniform and Property Guidance, our Behaviour Policy and confiscation rules.

A separate approved Airtag and Tracker Policy covers this issue in greater detail and is available on our website.

A reminder that governors do not allow children to have mobile phones or any items which connect to the internet e.g. smartwatches in school or on the School site for any reason.

Yours sincerely

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