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Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear parents/carers

The half term holiday will commence on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019** and school reopens on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. Please note that **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019** is a staff training day and the school will be closed to pupils.

We have decided to change our **Mobile Phone Policy** to take effect after the holiday. From Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 pupils will be allowed to keep their mobile phone with them during the school day. We would ask that you discourage your child from bringing a mobile phone to school on the grounds that they are valuable and may be lost or stolen. However, we recognise that may have a part to play in securing pupils' personal safety before and after school and on journeys to and from school. Moreover, a complete ban would be difficult to enforce and would not be consistent with the aim of developing a culture of responsible use of a mobile phone and other digital devices by pupils.

I have attached our Mobile Phone Policy to this letter and it is also available to access on our school website.

If you feel that your child needs to bring their mobile phone to school, can you please make sure you have read the policy and go through the policy with your child particularly the section regarding sanctions if they use their mobile phone during the day. Please note that the **school accepts no responsibility** for any **loss or damage** to a mobile phone whilst the device is on the school premises.

If you would like to discuss this matter with me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please be aware that the next staff training day is on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019** and on this day the school will be closed to all pupils?

On behalf of all the staff here at Shepwell, may I take this opportunity to wish you a pleasant half term holiday.

Kind Regards

*Stephen Pritchard-Jones*

Head Teacher