

APPENDIX 7 - WHATSAPP AGREEMENT PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION (FOR OVERSEAS BOARDERS)

While WhatsApp as an application is given an official '16+' rating by the NSPCC, it is understood that many children under 16 use the app to contact friends and family. When in the boarding environment, this application is not to be used by any child under the age of 16, as per the recommendations of the NSPCC.

As a free and popularly used application amongst adults around the world, it is natural that this is the application of choice for children from overseas for them to keep in contact with friends and family abroad, and therefore special permission has been granted to allow this child to use WhatsApp in boarding time.

However, in signing this agreement, they agree to adhere to a usage policy as defined below:

- I will only contact friends (out of school) and family members on WhatsApp.
- I will not use WhatsApp to contact any school or boarding friends in boarding time, understanding that they are not allowed to access the app for anything other than family contact.
- I will not accept group requests or chat requests from numbers I have not got saved in my phone.
- I will share any worrying messages with a parent or member of the boarding team immediately.

Name of Parent/carer: (Please print)	
Name of pupil: (Please print)	
Date:	

Any breeches of this usage policy will result in the loss of this privilege.

Pupil signature:.....