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Dear Parents/Carers

In a move to improve home-school communication we will shortly be adopting a paperless approach to contacting parents and carers. With the growth in email, smartphones and general home computer use, we have noticed this is the preferred method of communication for many parents now.

There are benefits for all parents and carers adopting this method of communication.

- Communicating with home directly via email is far more reliable and far faster than depending on students to deliver letters and notices home.
- More frequency of information, keeping parents/carers better informed.

We are planning our 'paperless' shift week commencing Monday 12 June 2017; at that point we will start emailing letters and notices home. It is vital that we have updated email addresses if we are to communicate with you effectively.

In addition to the above, to enable the school to send out 'group' texts, we will be using your mobile phone number as our first point of contact. We ask that you supply a mobile number if we do not already have one.

Please complete the reply slip below, tear off and return to school as soon as possible, or provide the requested information by emailing contact@heanorgate.derbyshire.sch.uk.

We will still continue with our present system for those parents who express a preference for paper-based communication but the benefits as outlined above are undeniable, and we hope that you will join us in these efforts.

Yours faithfully

Mrs K A Broderick
PA to the Principal

I consent for Heanor Gate Science College to send school communications via email/text using the contact details provided below.

Student Name:		Date of birth:	___/___/___
Parent/carer email address:			
Parent/carer mobile number:			