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Dear Friends of Hendon School,

I hope this message finds you well.

We are reaching out to parents, students, alumni (Old Hendonians), and the wider school community to ask whether anyone may be willing to donate a used iPhone to support our Dance department.

As you may be aware, from September 2026 schools across the UK will be implementing policies that restrict students from bringing personal smart devices into school. At Hendon School, we have already taken this step and have been a "Smartphone-Free School" since September 2025. While this is a positive move for student wellbeing and safeguarding, it does present some challenges—particularly for subjects that have integrated technology into their teaching and learning practices.

Dance is one such subject. The use of smartphones has become a key tool for managing music, capturing and developing choreography, and sharing work efficiently. This change therefore presents a significant barrier to continuing these practices.

Dance plays a vital role in the culture and creative life of Hendon School. As school and subject leaders, we are committed to ensuring that the subject continues to thrive and remains competitive with other institutions, while also upholding the highest standards of safeguarding and student wellbeing.

To support this, we are aiming to source approximately 40 iPhones for use by our Year 10 and Year 11 students from September. iPhones are particularly suitable as they allow us to maintain a consistent operating system and user interface across devices, making them practical for use in a classroom environment.

If you are able to donate a device, please contact our Reception team via email at info@hendonschool.co.uk or call 020 8202 9004, and they will provide guidance on how to arrange a drop-off.

We would like to thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting the continued success of the creative arts at Hendon School.

Yours faithfully

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