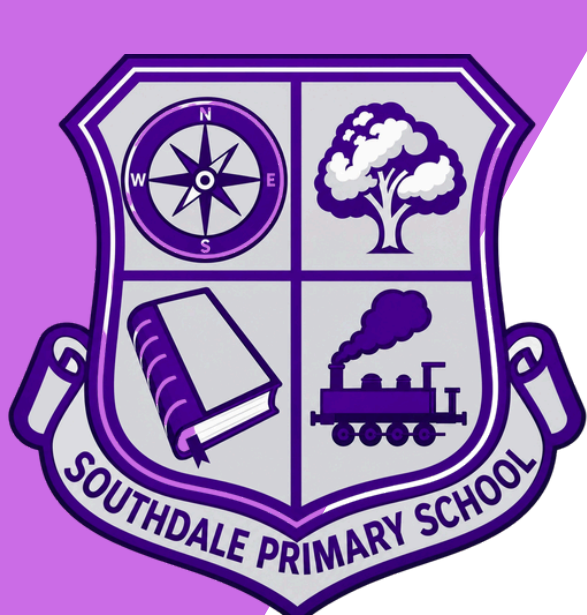




Responsible use of devices at Southdale Primary School





What is a Responsible User Agreement (RUA)

A Responsible User Agreement (RUA) is a shared agreement developed in partnership with staff, parents/carers, and pupils to set out the expectations, responsibilities, and safe use of digital devices and technology at Southdale Primary School.

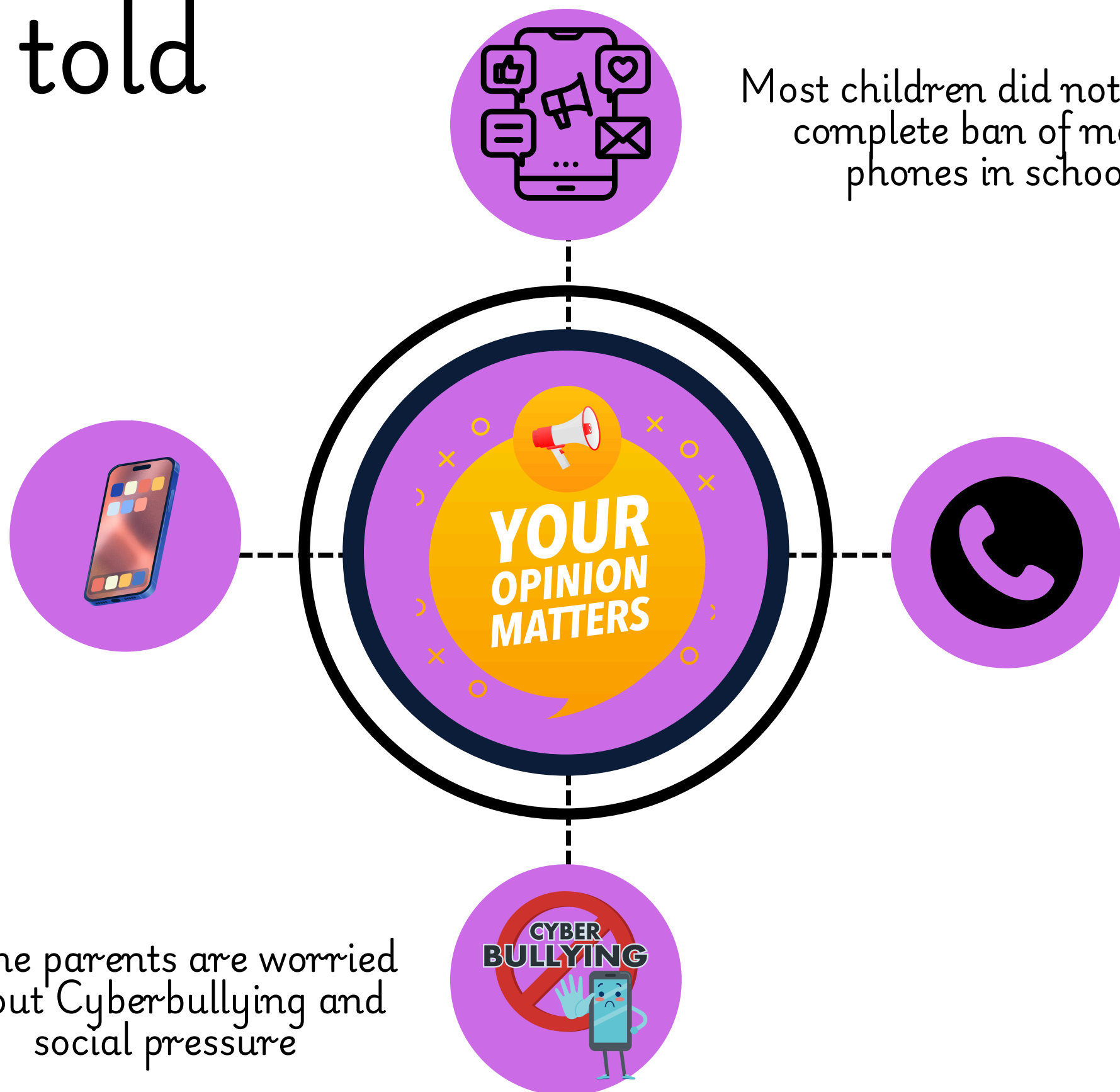
This agreement is signed by both pupils and parents/carers to confirm their understanding of the expectations for using digital technology and to help ensure children can access devices safely, responsibly, and securely while learning in school.

At Southdale, our Responsible User Agreement (RUA) reflects our school values and expectations of being Ready, Respectful and Safe. It supports children to develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed to use digital technology responsibly, respectfully and safely, both in school and beyond.

Children and families are asked to sign the agreement to confirm that they understand and agree to the expectations outlined within it, supporting a shared commitment to the safe, respectful and responsible use of digital technology at Southdale Primary School.

What you told us.....

Majority of children said they wanted to bring their mobile phones to school so their families could contact them on the way to and from school



Most children did not want a complete ban of mobile phones in school

5% of parents would rather their child used their mobile phone for learning rather than a school device

Some parents are worried about Cyberbullying and social pressure



We have reviewed our agreement.....

1

Children will no longer use their mobile phones during learning and teaching time

2

Children who bring a mobile phone to school must switch it off when entering the school grounds. Phones will be collected and stored securely in a locked box within the classroom during the school day. They will be returned to children at the end of the day and should only be switched back on once they have left the school grounds.

3

Children who wear smartwatches to school will be required to switch them off and place them in the locked classroom box for safekeeping. Smartwatches will be returned to the children at the end of the school day. This helps to minimise distractions and supports a safe and focused learning environment for all pupils.

