

QUEEN ETHELBURGA'S COLLEGIATE



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Dear Parents

Queen Ethelburga's Cashless Campus

As a Collegiate we are excited to be moving towards being a cashless campus. From September 2024, our campus will operate an entirely cashless system for all purchases. This means that all transactions, including all food and drink outlets on campus, our school uniform shop, vending machines and boarding sweet shop will become cashless for all purchases. Therefore, it is important that your child has access to banking facilities which will enable them to pay by card or via contactless payment whilst on campus.

Although this change in our policy will be an adjustment to some, we believe it will be in the best interest for our students, visitors, and staff. The use of cash has been declining rapidly across our campus over the past two years as students, visitors and staff prefer to use their contactless cards, chip and pin cards, or Android/Apple pay.

From September 2024, we will no longer be accepting cash for transactions within the Collegiate. We believe that this shift towards a cashless system will not only be more convenient for everyone but also promote financial responsibility and security among our students.

Over the coming months, we would be grateful if you could arrange to set up a bank account suitable to you and your child's needs, in preparation for our campus operating as an entirely cashless campus.

Year 3 – Year 10

With banks now offering ever increasing services for young people, with accounts including bank cards that parents can control from their mobile phones, for example, Go Henry, Rooster, Monzo, and Revolut cards, we are encouraging all parents to look at these services and choose an option suitable to them.

Year 11 – Year 13

For students aged 15 and over, we recommend they open a UK bank account with a high street bank. Queen Ethelburga's Collegiate has collaborated with HSBC in York, who subject to an account application process, are able to open a bank account for your child.

We are here to support and assist our students in understanding how to manage their personal finances, including the use of bank accounts and cards throughout every phase as we transition to a cashless campus.

We appreciate your cooperation in the early stages of rolling this system out. If you have any questions regarding the transition process, please do not hesitate to contact bursars@qe.org

Yours sincerely,

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