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Dear Parent/Carer,

4G Data Allowance Increase

To assist with on-line learning, the government has introduced a scheme to temporarily increase the data allowance for mobile phones on certain networks. This could then allow a mobile phone to be “tethered” to a computer to allow the 4G mobile network to be used as an internet connection.

Who is eligible?

Under the new scheme, schools can request mobile data increases for students in Years 7-11 that meet all 3 of the following criteria:

- do not have fixed broadband at home
- cannot afford additional data for their devices
- are experiencing disruption to their face-to-face education

Which networks?

Students with access to a mobile phone on one of the following networks may be able to benefit:

- EE
- O2
- Sky Mobile
- SMARTY
- Tesco Mobile
- Three
- Virgin Mobile
- Vodafone

Other providers may join the scheme at a later stage.

How to increase your data allowance

If you feel that your child could benefit from this scheme, and you would meet the eligibility criteria, please complete this short on-line form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=FqwLD5I-3E6GjRHbRevYXKQpKBJ-vF5OkPzxJCtzSLBUNKZPSU45NFpRVVMzOUFISjJQTOJRUIITUC4u>

A copy of the Government’s Privacy Notice relating to this scheme can be found here:

[How we look after personal information for the Increasing Children’s Mobile Data scheme - Get help with technology - GOV.UK \(education.gov.uk\)](#)

To “tether” your phone to a computer

For instructions on how to use your smartphone as a wireless hotspot, please refer to the user guide or manual of your phone.





Further help and assistance

If you have any difficulty completing the form, or any other questions or queries, please contact your school office in the first instance, via the normal email address:

Carshalton High School for Girls: office@chsg.org.uk

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Yours faithfully,

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