

Kingsbrook School

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Gift Giving Procedure (Students)

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Student Gift Giving

It is recognised that in an act of friendship/kindness students may wish to give gifts or items belonging to them to another student.

As much as it is recognised this act of kindness/friendship demonstrates a pro-social behaviour, it cannot be permitted for the following reasons:

- Some students struggle to understand the monetary value of the items given and it can be unclear if the item given is in the parent/carer's knowledge.
- There is a risk that items given may not be with good intent and therefore could be used to 'groom' another student.
- For vulnerable students giving items to another could be an exploitive act 'disguised' as giving willingly.
- If friendships were to breakdown the items given may be demanded back and this can cause further difficulty and distress.

This procedure extends further to 'lending' items. Kingsbrook School cannot permit students to lend their own personal possessions to other students for the same reasons.

Permitted Gift Giving

The exception to the above are times of the year where gift giving is a socially appropriate norm, such as Christmas and Birthday. However, the following restrictions apply:

- The gift does not exceed the monetary value of £5.00
- The gift is age appropriate
- The gift does not pose a self-harm risk to students within school

If a student does wish to give a gift to another student and you are uncertain as to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the Head of School or Pastoral Care Manager for clarity.

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