

Headteacher: Mr D. Whales | Chair of Governors: Mr T. French

18 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Standards and Expectations

With the new term underway, I would like to share with you what we have seen so far. We are extremely pleased with how students have returned following the summer break. They have adapted well to the routines and are building positive habits. Overall, there is a positive feeling within lessons which continues across the academy.

Our staff are welcoming students each morning and ensuring they are starting their day positively. Roll Call has highlighted how smart and prepared our students are. The standards we set for our students will enable them to be successful academically and develop into positive members of society. We recognise that there will be occasions when some students do not meet these expectations and feel it is important to clarify the processes in place to manage these incidents.

Punctuality to School – It is important for students to arrive on time each day. If a student is late, they will be issued with a 30-minute after-school detention. These take place twice each week, usually on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, and you will receive a text message informing you of this.

Punctuality to Lessons – There is adequate time built into the school day to ensure students can move between lessons. Repeated lateness to lessons without any valid reason will be sanctioned with a 30-minute after-school detention.

Minimum Expectations – We want all our students to try their best to meet the expectations we set out for them. Students who receive higher levels of negative behaviours may receive a 30-minute after-school detention.

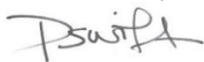
Mobile Phones – Phones should be switched off and placed in student bags throughout the day. Any phone that is seen or heard will be confiscated and returned to students at 3:30 pm. All confiscations are recorded and three or more will result in a parental collection from that point forward.

Jewellery – As per the published uniform guide, we allow students to wear one pair of plain round stud earrings and one ring per hand. Wristwatches are also allowed, but no other items of jewellery are permitted. Clear retainers are to be used in place of piercings.

Vapes – Vapes/vaping paraphernalia are not permitted in school and are treated as a serious safeguarding concern. Any items that are confiscated will not be returned to the students or family as per the guidance from the Police.

Staff have recognised how positive the students have been and we are proud of how they have approached their return to school. Thank you for your continued support. Your partnership plays a vital role in fostering an enriching environment for our students and together we can ensure the best possible education for your child.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Swift
Deputy Headteacher

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