



12<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

## **New Routines and Policies**

I hope this letter finds you well and that you and your child are enjoying a wonderful start to the new term. As we embark on this academic year, I wanted to take a moment to update you on the remarkable progress we have made, thanks to the implementation of our new routines and policies.

We are thrilled to report that our collective efforts have resulted in significant positive changes throughout the School community. These changes reflect the dedication and commitment of our staff, students and yourselves to create a more conducive learning environment. The statistics speak for themselves:

- 66.3% reduction in Mobile Phone Incidents: We have seen a remarkable 66.3% reduction in students being caught with mobile phones during school hours. This not only enhances the overall classroom experience but also encourages more focused and engaged learning.
- 63.8% reduction in Behavioural Reports (B1s): The reduction in behavioural reports is indicative of the growing respect and discipline our students are demonstrating. This improvement helps maintain a positive atmosphere within the School and fosters a sense of responsibility among our students.
- 64% reduction in students removed from lessons: We have successfully decreased the number of students who need to be removed from lessons. This means that more students can now benefit from uninterrupted learning opportunities and it is testament to our students' commitment to a more respectful and cooperative learning environment.
- 80% reduction in Lateness to Lessons: The number of students arriving late to lessons has decreased by at least 80%. This significant change ensures that students can fully engage in their studies without disruptions and are better prepared for success.
- 55.4% reduction in Failure to Attend Detentions: Our students have shown an impressive 55.4% reduction in failing to attend detentions during the school day. This demonstrates a stronger sense of accountability and a commitment to making the most of their educational experience.

We are proud of these accomplishments and want to extend our gratitude to both the students and parents who have actively supported our initiatives. Together, we have created a more focused and respectful learning environment where our students can thrive academically.

We will continue to work diligently to maintain these positive changes throughout the year. We believe that a collaborative effort between the School and parents is essential in sustaining this success.

With this in mind, we are introducing two new behaviour records from 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

Firstly, we are introducing a refined system to monitor and address uniform-related issues. Our goal is to ensure that all students are dressed appropriately in accordance with our Uniform Policy.

Here's how the new approach will work:

**Monitoring and Behaviour Points:**

- Teachers will log one behaviour point for every student who enters or leaves a classroom with their uniform incorrectly worn. This includes instances such as skirts being rolled up or shirts being untucked.
- If a student accumulates 5 uniform behaviour points within one week, they will be issued an after-school detention.

**Review and Detention Schedule:**

- Data regarding behaviour points will be reviewed every Monday.
- Students who have reached the threshold of 5 behaviour points will be expected to attend an after-school detention the following day, on Tuesday.

This new approach aims to provide a clear and consistent framework for addressing uniform-related issues. We believe that maintaining uniform standards not only fosters a sense of belonging and pride but also sets a positive tone for our students' overall learning environment.

Secondly, we are introducing a new system to monitor and prevent persistent lateness to School. From 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023, lateness will be monitored weekly and students who have been late to School (without reasonable cause) three times in one week will receive an after-school detention.

Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to a successful and rewarding academic year for all our students.

Yours faithfully,

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