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Dear Parents/Carers,

Behaviour for Learning

The start of a new calendar year provides a good opportunity to remind everyone how our behaviour consequences system works. We have high expectations regarding student behaviour and most students never receive a consequence. However, there are times when some students need guidance on how to behave, and we are keen to ensure no-one has their learning disrupted. Our consequence system has three initial steps.

On the first instance of poor behaviour a teacher will speak to a student and highlight what they are doing wrong. This is known as a C1 one and provides the student an opportunity to correct their behaviour before a sanction is applied. A C1 is a verbal warning so it is not recorded.

If the student continues to cause concern then a teacher will issue a C2. These are recorded on our behaviour management system and can be viewed by parents on the parent app. Teachers will usually take time from the student as a consequence of a C2 being issued, this might be a brief conversation at the end of the lesson or in more serious situations a detention at break or lunch.

In the event that a student continues to behave poorly after a C2 has been issued then they will be removed from the lesson to ensure they cannot disrupt the learning of other students. This is known as a C3. As a consequence of being removed the student will be issued with an after-school detention. Details of the behaviour which led to the detention will be logged on the parent-app.

After-school detention

Schools have a legal right to hold students in detention after school. The Government website Gov.uk states: "**Schools don't have to give parents notice of after-school detentions or tell them why a detention has been given.**" In a rural area such as ours, notice of after school detentions allows parents time to arrange transport. To keep this simple we are working on a day after tomorrow approach. For example, if a student receives a C3 on a Monday then the after-school detention will be set for Wednesday. We don't count weekends so a C3 issued on a Friday will result in a detention set for the following Tuesday. This term we are introducing text notifications for after school detentions as letters are too slow and it is not always possible to reach parents and carers by telephone. The student will of course always be told by their class teacher that they have been issued a C3 so they will be able to advise you of their detention as soon as they arrive home. After school detentions for a C3 end at 4pm.

We are extremely proud of the way our students present themselves, visitors often remark on their excellent attitude. The consequences system helps ensure learning is not disrupted and I'm grateful for your support in its operation.

Yours sincerely,

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