

21 May 2025

Dear Parent / Guardian

Changes to After School Detentions – starting after May half-term

Following a review of our existing detention consequence we have decided to trial some changes to our daily after school detention structure. The rationale for this is to ensure that detention consequences are proportionate, timely and purposeful.

The key updates you need to be aware of are as follows:

- Any detentions set will be scheduled to take place on the same day they are set.
- You will be notified via Class Charts and email of any detention your child receives. You can also expect a phone call from the teacher who has set the consequence if this is the 2nd+ consequence set by that teacher.
- The teacher setting the detention will attend the detention to complete a reset and reflect conversation. This will enable your child and the member of staff to agree an effective plan to move forward.
- Detention consequences will be 20 minutes (ending at 3.35) with a single upscale to 45 minutes (ending at 4pm) if your child fails to attend the initial detention.
- Should your child fail to attend their 45-minute detention they will be referred to their Head of Year and an appropriate consequence will be put in place, usually a day in our alternative learning provision. In addition, the HOD may contact you to arrange a parent meeting. Repeated failure to attend detentions may result in a more significant consequence.
- Learning appointments will remain with Class Teacher/ Head of Department. Failure to attend these detentions will result in upscales as above.

The purpose of detentions remains to support students in making the right choices for their learning and to ensure their safety in school. Staff will be working hard to engage students in positive discussions around their behaviour and in supporting them moving forward.

We thank you in advance for your support in this matter and with your child.

Kind regards,



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