

Monday 11th October

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: After School Detentions

I am writing to inform all parents/carers of changes to our detention system.

From today, all detentions will take place at the end of the academy day – there will be no further lunchtime detentions. This is to ensure all students have enough time to access the canteen and engage in some positive social time with friends.

Instead, detentions will now run from 3.00-4.00pm each day (2.00-3.00pm Friday) with a Principal's detention running from 3.00-4.30pm Wednesdays and 2.00-3.30pm on Fridays.

Detentions are set for several reasons, and these have been arranged into groups. Each group has a fixed detention length, as shown in the table below:

Detention Type	Length (minutes)
Late to AM registration (Lesson 1) On-Call used Standards Card Complete	30mins
Missed 30min Detention Truancy Standards Card Lost/Defaced/Refused	60mins
Missed 60min Detention Principal's Detention	90mins

30min and 60min detentions will be set **for the following day**. Printed lists will be displayed outside Hall B and other locations. It is a student's responsibility to check these lists and ensure they attend the detention. Parents/carers will still receive a text message to inform that a detention has been set.

Missed detentions result in a further detention being set, with the length increased. It is therefore important that students attend their detention when it is initially set. Students that choose to refuse or avoid detentions place themselves at risk of suspension for persistent defiance.

For the overwhelming majority, these changes will not make a difference to their daily experience, and I am confident that with these changes in place, students will continue to demonstrate and meet the high standards we expect in being the 'best we can be'.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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