

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents/Carers

**RE: After School Detentions - UPDATE**

I'm pleased to report that the student response to our revised detention system has been hugely positive, the printed lists are helping students take responsibility for their actions, with "checking" now an established daily routine.

From today, we've made a further change to help students continue to make positive choices.

We've added a 90minute detention to each day so that students can complete any detention they are set as quickly as possible.

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 School (am registration) Late to Lessons Removed from Lesson(s) Standards Card Complete	30mins
Missed 30min Detention Truancy Standards Card Lost/Defaced/Refused	60mins
Missed 60min Detention Missed Detention – Final Warning Extreme Defiance Principal's Detention	90mins

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 – I am disappointed to share that a small number of students have had to be suspended for this very reason.

For the overwhelming majority, however, it's business as usual and daily life goes on unaffected due to the positive attitude and behaviours they display in their learning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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