



Tuesday 11th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we launched our new initiative with the staff and students regarding our high standards and expectations. All the students have been issued with a blue 'Standards Card'.

Tutors have spent time this morning with their tutor groups explaining how it will work. The card is to act as a reminder to the students how important it is to dress correctly for school and to wear uniform with pride. It will also instil some organisational skills into the students as they have to make sure that they are prepared and come to school with the correct equipment, including House Diaries every day.

We are not trying to catch the students out and therefore we will not give detentions immediately. Students will be given notice (a tick) if there are any infringements. If students receive three ticks on the card then they will do a one hour detention after school. Children learn by 'doing' so hopefully this will raise our standards even higher than they are already.

For the vast majority of our students they will not receive a detention as they do come to school prepared, they get to lessons on time and they do wear their uniform with pride. For these students who have a clean card by Christmas, we will put their names into a hat for a special prize draw along the similar lines as we do with students who have 98%+ attendance at the end of every half term. We will recognise the students that get it right every day and who contribute positively to the school community.

All we ask is that students keep the cards in their blazer pockets so that they can be checked every morning. If parents and carers need to wash the blazer can you check for the card! I want to thank you for the support that you give the children and to the school and for helping us to make it the exceptional place that it is.

Yours faithfully,

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