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Dear Families,

As we come to the end of another busy and successful year we wanted to not only remind you of the expectations for our students but also inform you of some exciting changes in the way we approach behaviour and support students to meet school expectations.

Here at Chase Terrace Academy we have high expectations of our students. We expect them to be polite, hardworking, respectful and courteous at all times.

In September we will be using a different approach in how we manage our students behaviour which will place a clear emphasis on our standards and expectations. Enabling students to take responsibility for, reflect on and modify their behaviour independently. These changes will support our students in making sustained progress and studying in a calm learning environment. Previously we have used our Reflection Room as a sanction, which has a detrimental effect on the time a student spends in the classroom. This means that a student that falls short of expectations may have less time, and therefore less opportunity, to access their learning in class and make progress. We recognise that students need as much time with their teachers as possible and their learning takes priority. If students are not meeting expectations, they will be expected to attend sanctions/detentions after school.

From September the following changes will take effect:

- We will no longer have 45 minute ROTA detentions on Tuesdays/Thursdays or Head Teachers detentions each Friday.
- From September there will be 1 hour long detentions running every evening. Depending on the type of the behaviour, students will be allocated between 1 hour and 5 hours worth of detention time over a 5 day period. As an example, a one day fixed term exclusion may be replaced with 5 x 1 hour detentions, rather than a child lose 5 hours of learning time.
- While in detention students will be supplied with work or given a task to support them in reflecting on their behaviour and understanding how it can be modified to prevent further incidents in the future. Students may be involved in work to put right what has happened, e.g. supporting the site team to remove graffiti.

These measures aim to reduce the number of students missing learning in their classrooms by spending time in isolation and through Fixed Term Exclusions. As a reminder, our behaviour policy can be found on our website or by following this link <http://resources.jtmat.co.uk/policies/JTMA%20Behaviour%20Policy.pdf>

PUNCTUALITY

Tutor time starts at 8.30am, it is therefore important that students give themselves plenty of time to reach their Tutor rooms and should aim to be in school by at least 8.25. Should your child be late (after 8.30am) they will receive a lunchtime detention on the same day.

If your child has a genuine reason for being late please contact the attendance office.

EXPECTATIONS

We expect every student to –

- Wear correct uniform
- Arrive promptly to school and lessons
- Follow staff instructions
- Complete all classwork and homework to the best of their ability
- Be respectful and polite
- Carry correct equipment including their timetable, and equipment relevant for lessons e.g. PE kit
- Treat each other in a kind and respectful way

UNIFORM

It is important that our students arrive to school in the correct uniform.

For all students, school dress is as follows:-

- Navy Blazer with school logo embroidered on the pocket. Badges can be purchased from our uniform suppliers should you wish to purchase a navy blazer from other outlets.
 - A Stitch Down Pleated Skirt – Code: GST8733830 by Trutex GPB-HGY in length 20 or 22
 - Trousers for Girls Trutex GTN-GRA-R-30 in Harrow Grey or Graphite Grey. Trousers should not be worn as cropped style or above the ankle. There is no requirement to have the school logo embroidered on. Plain traditional school trousers from other suppliers should be mid grey in colour and tailored, **not skinny or ponte style**. Skinny trousers, leggings or jeans are **not** permitted.
 - Light blue short or long-sleeved shirt
 - Navy/Twin Blue/Red/Yellow Stripe clip-on tie – code: DS102 in House colour
 - Navy knitted v-neck jumper (optional)
 - Plain black, navy or grey coloured tights (as required, and with a skirt)
 - Short or three-quarter length below the knee socks, plain black, grey or white
 - Shoes – black flat shoes – leather, robust shoes are preferred. **(Boots, trainers, high heels, canvas shoes or pumps are NOT ALLOWED – shoes must not have logos or writing on them)**
 - No nail extensions or brightly coloured nail polish
 - Jewellery should be kept to a minimum – a watch, ONE small pair of stud earrings (one in each ear).
 - Nose, tongue and eyebrow studs and other such piercings are **not acceptable** and students will be required to remove them.
 - Make up is not permitted
- Any incorrect uniform will have to be corrected. We therefore urge parents to check with school if they have any doubts **before** purchasing uniform.
- Should incorrect footwear be worn students will be required to borrow shoes from school to wear while on site until correct footwear is purchased.**

If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact us, we may be able to offer support.

Rewards

As part of our rewards programme, the House system plays an integral role. Each student is assigned to one of three Houses (Brocket, Elk and Fallow) and has the opportunity to earn House points throughout the year. House points are awarded for good deeds inside and outside of lessons, completing work to a high standard, taking part in extracurricular activities, contributing to class discussions and for a variety of other achievements. Students also have the opportunity to take part in various House events, put on by different departments throughout the academic year. This is a great way for students to get involved in school life and to earn House points for their House. Students are rewarded for reaching milestones with House points throughout the year and these all lead to the end of year celebration for the winning House.

Communication

We have been talking to some of our parents and carers and know the difficulties that can arise if communication is slow or difficult to access. We are in the process of updating to a new management information system in school which will improve the way we send out information about school and specific communications about your child/children. We will update you as soon as we can on this, but we hope this will be a very positive step for us in making communication better with home.

Should you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact your child's Head of Year.

We wish you all an enjoyable summer and look forward to welcoming our students back in September.

Kind Regards



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Head of School