

September 2023

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

RE: Important Updates to School Behaviour Procedure

I would like to express our gratitude for your continued support in upholding the high standards of our school community. We are committed to providing a safe and conducive learning environment for all our students, and in response to your feedback before summer we have identified a few key areas of the behaviour procedure that we are making more robust.

Effective 25th September 2023, the following changes will be implemented:

1. 30-minute Lunchtime Detentions.

- As this is during the school day you will be informed, but no notice will be provided. Students will be given time to use the toilet and eat lunch after the detention.

2. 30-minute after school detention.

- We are introducing a shorter, 30- minute after-school detention, parents/carers will be notified by text message and provided with at least 24 hour notice for after school detentions.

Failure to attend a 30-minute detention or failing to meet expectations during the detention will result in a further 1- hour detention being issued. Heads of Year 1 hour detentions are issued by Year teams at their discretion. Should a student fail to attend, fail to meet behaviour expectations, or the situation be serious this will escalate to a Senior Leadership Team detention for 90-minutes on a Friday after school.

For all after school detentions you will be provided with notice via text message, with further information available on MCaS regarding the incident that led to your child being issued a sanction. Last year we were made aware that parents/carers were not able to see which member of staff had set a detention and for what reason. We have addressed this by ensuring MCaS provides you with relevant information. A video showing you how to access this is available on the school website <https://bit.ly/CTA-Detention>

3. Uniform Infringements:

- To ensure our students adhere to our uniform policy, we will now closely monitor uniform infringements. Students who accumulate three infringements within a half-term period, without substantiated medical information to warrant an exemption, will be required to attend a one-hour detention.

These changes are aimed at promoting a respectful and focused learning environment within our school, and to maintain high standards so all our students. We believe that they will help instil a sense of responsibility and accountability in our students, ensuring that they are well-prepared for their future endeavours.

School shoes must be black, polishable and without a logo, please follow the link below or speak to your child's Head of Year if you are unclear on uniform expectations.

<https://chaseterraceacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Uniform-Policy-2023-1.pdf>

4. The House System

Our house system has been created to inspire the pupils and staff of Chase Terrace Academy to embody the values of the school, to find a place within the school community and create sense of belonging.

The house system is in place to promote a positive, aspirational ethos throughout the school and wider community, that encourages pupils to get involved in healthy competition and demonstrate a tenacious nature when partaking in extra-curricular activities and house events. The house system encourages personal growth where pupils gain a respect and understanding of the wider world around them by being involved in personal development themed house events, acts of community service and leadership. The house system wants to reward all students for embracing and demonstrating the school values and therefore house points will be logged accordingly. The house with the most house points as a collective will receive termly awards if they are the winning house. By doing this we hope to recognise pupils' individual achievements and prepare them to be well rounded individuals as they move on into their futures.

We have several house activities and celebrations scheduled throughout this year that we very much look forward to all of our pupils engaging in.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Mason
Headteacher



Mr Newman
Deputy Headteacher