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## Lent Term 2019

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### Behaviour Update

Early in our Lent term, a number of staff representing various departments and roles, were involved in reviewing our Behaviour Policy and we would like to share the following points with parents/carers:

- From 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019, any persistent low level or serious behaviour incidents in lessons will be logged on SIMS in the usual way and you will be able to see a record of these incidents on Firefly. They are logged as warning, escalation or removal. The incidents, however, now carry points and if a pupil accumulates a set number of points in a week this will lead to them being given a centralised lunchtime or after school detention. All detentions must be served otherwise the sanction is escalated. Our school management system allows us to deduct behaviour points from achievement points and, since rewards and achievement assemblies are based on total net points, this will be an incentive for pupils to avoid behaviour incidents.
- During the monitoring of behaviour points if we become concerned about any pupil accumulating too many points staff will be in touch with you. We have a number of strategies we can use to help pupils to modify their behaviour and I would ask for your full support. Whilst we feel that the majority of pupils in school behave impeccably, we are keen that all pupils understand the importance of good behaviour for learning for their own and others' sake. All teachers must be allowed to teach and all pupils must have the opportunity to learn.
- With regard to homework, pupils may also be asked to go to departmental detentions if their work/homework is not up to an acceptable standard.

### Uniform

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for ensuring our pupils look smart and their uniform meets our high standards. Many visitors to the school comment on how polite, helpful and smart our pupils appear.

### Equipment

Please support your child by checking that they have the correct equipment for their lessons and are therefore 'ready to learn'. We have noticed a few pupils in class have not got some basic essentials and this disrupts the learning in lesson, as it wastes teacher time in finding pupils the necessary equipment. Please check the list below:

#### Compulsory school equipment checklist

- Planner – signed by parent/carer weekly
- 2 black pens
- Purple pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Rubber
- Highlighters
- Pencil case
- Reading book
- Exercise books/Work books
- PE kit (when required)
- Food ingredients (when required)

#### Necessary school equipment

- Scientific calculator
- Sharpener
- Protractor
- Compass