



# WESTON FAVELL ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you had a great festive period and look forward to working with you in 2020 and welcoming pupils back to the Academy on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January. The overwhelming majority of pupils have a wonderfully positive attitude in school. To ensure all pupils are safe and learning effectively, please take a few minutes to read these reminders and updates:

### **Pupils crossing the car park**

Following a number of serious accidents (including a fatality) in school car parks in other parts of the country, please help us to keep pupils safe by reminding them not to cross the car park. There are paths and pedestrian crossings from all gates and drop off points that should be used at all times.

### **R3 Removal from lessons**

We believe that no pupil should disrupt the learning and education of others. Pupils who misbehave are given a number of warnings and opportunities to amend their behaviour before they are removed (R3) to another classroom.

From January, any student removed (R3) will receive a **detention for up to 30 minutes at the end of that day** (students removed period 5 will have their detention on the following day).

**Failure to attend this detention will result in internal isolation the next day.** For consistency, this will apply to all students regardless of commitments after school.

Following removal (R3), pupils should cooperate, complete the work set and return to their class teacher at the end of the lesson to resolve any issues, ready for a fresh start the next lesson. Pupils who do this successfully **will be released from detention straight away**. Pupils **will only be detained** if they have disrupted learning in a lesson, failed to respond to reminders and failed to meet expectations once removed. You will know if your child has been removed on an R3 by checking the Xpressions app, you will not be contacted directly. If you have not downloaded the app, please do so as soon as possible. The instructions on how to do this are attached to this letter and are also available on the academy website, under the parent tab.

Please note the R3 detention is different from an SLT 30/60/120. You will still be informed if your child has one of these SLT detentions prior to the event via the Xpressions app.

### **Piercings and Nails**

Facial piercings can present a health and safety hazard and should be avoided. However, one clear retainer is permitted. If your child has a piercing, a clear retainer must be worn during school hours and we have a supply in the Academy. Pupils refusing to comply will be isolated until this is addressed. For similar reasons, nail extensions are not permitted. Any existing nail extensions should be removed by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

## **The back gate**

From January, the back gate will be opened at 08.20 am, this is for pupil safeguarding. The site is accessible prior to 8:20 am via the front gate.

## **Bikes**

Bike riding is not permitted on the Academy site. Please remind pupils to dismount at the gate and walk their bike to the racks provided. Pupils must use a robust U lock to secure their bike to the bike racks. We are not able to accept responsibility for bikes stolen or damaged whilst on site.

## **Uniform**

Please support us in ensuring pupils are in the correct uniform at all times. Trainer passes will only be issued for medical conditions with a **current medical note**. For pupils with long term medical conditions, please ensure that plain black trainers are worn.

Pupils arriving in incorrect uniform will be loaned the correct item from our Boot Room and should be returned at the end of the school day. We also reserve the right to send the pupil home to change their clothes. Parents will be notified if this happens.

## **Planners**

It is the responsibility of the parent or carer to monitor the planner on a daily basis. The planner provides immediate feedback on behaviour, work ethic, punctuality, rewards and progress. Pupils must carry their planner at all times during the school day. Homework will be issued online via 'Show My Homework'

## **Behaviour off-site**

Pupils represent the Academy at all times and their behaviour should reflect this. We are very proud of our pupils and often receive positive feedback from the public, however, poor behaviour on the journey to and from school whilst in school uniform is unacceptable and we reserve the right to put sanctions in place if required.

Thank you for taking the time to read the letter. Any questions please contact the Academy via the following email address [admin@westonfavellacademy.org](mailto:admin@westonfavellacademy.org)

Yours sincerely



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