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## **Dear Parents/Carers**

As we begin this new term and year, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership in ensuring the success and wellbeing of our students. Recently, we shared important messages in the Head's Herald about refocusing, reflecting, and resetting expectations and standards for the year ahead. This letter serves as a follow-up to reinforce some key points and outline how we can work together to achieve the highest standards for all students.

It is essential that students arrive at school every day, on time and fully prepared to learn. This includes bringing the correct equipment, wearing the correct uniform, and maintaining an appearance that complies with our school policy. These seemingly small details set the tone for a productive and respectful learning environment, and where we get this right, students are thriving.

We are committed to helping students develop their organisational skills and independence, which are crucial for their success both in school and in life. However, we cannot do this alone. Your support in ensuring that your child comes to school prepared and in compliance with our policies is vital. By working together, we can give our students the best possible chance to succeed.

I am proud to say that the vast majority of our students consistently meet or exceed our expectations. They are a credit to the school and a reflection of the values we all hold dear. We continue to celebrate and reward their efforts and achievements, recognising the positive impact they have on our school community, doing this most recently in the Rewards and Recognition year group events.

That said, there remains a small minority of students who need to make immediate improvements to meet these expectations and we are in communication with their parents/carers. Over the past weeks, we have met with all year groups to provide clear reminders of our standards, and we are committed to supporting every student in meeting them. Our behaviour policy provides a fair and transparent system to both recognise positive behaviours and address those that are not aligned with our expectations, both inside and outside of the classroom.

By maintaining high expectations and standards, we create an environment that benefits every student:



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- Maximising learning time through disruption-free lessons, leading to better outcomes for all.
- A safe and predictable environment where students feel secure and ready to learn.
- Academic success and increased life chances, as students develop the skills, discipline, and mindset they need to succeed beyond school, meeting or exceeding their academic potential.

Your role as parents/carers is instrumental in supporting these goals. Whether it's ensuring that your child has the right uniform, equipment, and mindset each morning or reinforcing the importance of school expectations at home, your involvement makes a significant difference and we really do appreciate this.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can ensure that every student thrives and reaches their full potential. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any of the points raised in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Leonard

**Deputy Headteacher**