

29th August 2025

Good afternoon

With the summer holiday drawing to a close, our focus now turns to the start of the new school year.

You will remember in July I wrote to all families to explain how we are further refining our expectations for student behaviour. I explained the focus for September of - 'getting it right in the first place' and how this expectation builds on the clear behaviour and positive attitudes to learning that are at the heart of how we do it here at NSG.

From September our core procedures around behaviour, both in lessons and during unstructured time, remain unchanged. Students are expected to continue to comply with our 6 NSG Respects, Ask, Remind and Advise (ARA) procedure, the late-to-lesson process and mobile phone rules and our 'Collective Expectations'. A reminder of our expectations and details relating to each of these processes can be found on the [school website](#)

'Getting it right in the first place' is designed to help students, staff, parents and carers to deepen and embed their understanding of our expectations and to secure even greater consistency in the application of these expectations across the whole school community.

In advance of the new school term I wanted to share with parents and carers the developments that we are introducing. All students will have these developments outlined and fully explained to them across a series of events including during tutor time and assemblies during the first two weeks of the Autumn term.

From September 2025, the following will apply:

- **Mobile phone use** – The existing procedure remains with one addition. From September 2025 if a phone is confiscated for a second or further offence, the student must hand it in to the Finance Office for three consecutive days after it has been collected by a parent.
- **Uniform** – In addition to the current application of a behaviour point for any incorrect or missing uniform, from September a 30 minute detentions will be set for any student who gains 3 or more uniform behaviour points across a week.
- **Late to registration** – From September we will address poor punctuality in a more consistent way with lateness to school being addressed in a similar way to lateness to lessons. Therefore students arriving after 08:50 will now face the same consequences as being late to lessons – ie accumulating 10+ minutes of lateness in a week (without mitigating circumstances) will result in a 30-minute detention the following week.
- **The Collective Expectations (in unstructured time)** – The simple rules remain unchanged from last year as we encourage our culture of respect. From September however each tutor base will now have three 'strikes' per week. This means after a second breach of the Collective Expectation the form tutor will be



notified so they can support their tutees in taking responsible steps to prevent any further issues. However, if a further breach of the Collective Expectations does then occur, the tutor base will close to the tutor group for the following break and lunchtime

- **Celebrating achievement** – From September we will be placing a greater emphasis on recognising all of our amazing students who every day, positively and consistently meet and exceed our expectations. Keep an eye out for **Our Students** and further correspondence on how parents/carers can get involved with this too!
- **Detentions** – Detentions will now always take place in Oak 7. 30 minute detentions will always take place on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 60 minute detentions will always take place on a Tuesday and Friday.

Thankyou in advance for your support of these refinements and your commitment to our ethos of Respect for Self, Respect for Other and Respect for Learning. Your continued support is, as always, greatly appreciated.

I wish you a restful weekend and we look forward to welcoming all students back on **Wednesday 3rd September**.

Yours sincerely,



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