

Thursday 9 June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Behaviour, Standards, and Attendance update

I wanted to write to all parents to update them on our current expectations of behaviour and standards across the academy.

Rewards:

Last half term 60,884 positive points were awarded across the academy and over a quarter of a million points have been issued this year. Well done to all students receiving positive points every day. Many of our students have been awarded our Bronze, Silver, and Gold badges and certificates and display these proudly on their blazers. Students continue to receive many gold and platinum cards and enter these into draws to win Amazon vouchers twice per half term.

Behaviour:

It is vital that the conduct of all students in and out of the classroom is outstanding at all times. This includes when they are moving around the academy between lessons and at social times. All students are expected to follow our five basic classroom expectations at all times:

- Arrive on time and in the correct uniform
- Show respect to all and never challenge the teacher
- Complete all work to the highest possible standard
- Engage and contribute throughout the lesson
- Never talk over the teacher

Students who do not meet these expectations are warned, and this is recorded on Go4Schools (G4S) when your child does not meet these expectations for a second time. If you do not have access to G4S, please contact us at schoolinfo@leesbrook.co.uk so we can offer assistance. You can monitor your child's conduct in school using the G4S app. Please remember that any student who receives three warnings will be required to sit a same day 30 minute detention after school, and those who receive four will be removed from their lesson by a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

It is an academy expectation that students issued with a detention complete this. Failure to do this will result in a longer detention or your child being placed in the ILU. Should you have any concerns around detentions, please contact your child's Year Leader.

In addition to this you can also use the app to monitor the positive points your child receives and how close they are to their next reward certificate and badge. We had our first platinum winners at the end of the last half term and we look forward to a term of more rewards and trips!

Uniform:

All students must be in the complete correct uniform everyday they attend school. This includes **school shoes and a tie**. Students who cannot wear shoes for medical reasons must provide medical evidence for this. We always endeavour to support students and families with uniform and will temporarily lend uniform to students who do not have the required items. Students not in the correct uniform without a valid reason will not be able to attend their usual lessons. Please let us know if you are having difficulty providing school uniform and we will support families where appropriate.

Toilets:

Students are not permitted to use the toilet during lesson time unless they are issued with a toilet pass for medical reasons. Students will have the opportunity to use the toilet during break times, lunch times and before and after school. If a child needs the toilet outside of these times, a corridor pass will be issued to allow your child to the toilet at the discretion of the class teacher.

Attendance and punctuality:

It is vital your child attends school every day in order to maximise their outcomes from school. It is the school's expectation that students attend 96%+ of the time. You can view your child's current and detailed attendance on the G4S app. This includes their lesson attendance and punctuality. Please remember to contact the school using the Parentmail app or by calling on every day that your child is absent through illness. Please be advised that after the third day of illness, medical evidence of the illness is required e.g. a doctor's appointment slip. If we do not receive this then absences may be recorded as unauthorised. Please try to make routine appointments outside of school hours where possible, we are aware, however, that appointments at places such as the orthodontist are often during the school day.

It is vital your child attends school and lessons on time every day. The school gate closes at 8:35am and any student arriving after this time will be issued with a 30 minute after school detention. Students who are persistently late to school may be issued with a 60 minute after school detention. Students should arrive to lessons on time. Teachers record how late students are to lesson and students who are late for more than 5 minutes in total in a day will receive a 30 minute after school detention.

We will shortly be writing to all parents about the upcoming Alton Towers trip as a rewards for those meeting our high expectations all year.

I would like to thank you for your continued support of the academy and of your child in meeting our high expectations and should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us on schoolinfo@leesbrook.co.uk

Yours faithfully,



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