

Monday 3rd April 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you about a change to our Academy's behaviour policy, which will impact the duration of after school detentions.

As a part of our continuous efforts to maintain a positive learning environment and uphold the highest standards of behaviour, we have decided to increase the length of after school detentions from 30 minutes to 45 minutes. Students failing to attend the 45 minute detention will be required to sit a detention for 1 hour 15 minutes. There will also be an additional SLT detention on Tuesday and Friday evenings which is 1 hour 30 minutes long-this detention will be issued by members of the Senior Leadership Team and will automatically be allocated to students who do not sit their shorter detentions. This change will be effective starting April 17th, 2023.

The decision to increase the detention duration has been made after careful consideration and research across Archway Learning Trust. We believe that the additional time will provide a more impactful opportunity for students to reflect on their actions and understand the consequences of their behaviour. Furthermore, it will also serve as a stronger deterrent for future instances of poor behaviour.

Please note that the school remains committed to working closely with students and their families to address any behavioural concerns. We understand that each student's situation is unique, and we will continue to provide appropriate support and guidance whenever necessary. If your child is required to serve an after school detention, you will be notified before 12:30pm to ensure that you are aware of the situation and can make any necessary arrangements.

We kindly ask for your cooperation and understanding as we implement this policy change. Our priority is to create a safe, respectful, and conducive learning environment for all students at Lees Brook Academy. By working together, we can help our students develop

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the essential skills and values required to become responsible, respectful, and successful individuals.

All guidance on after school detentions as issued by the Department for Education can be found here- https://www.gov.uk/school-discipline-exclusions

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please do not hesitate to contact me at schoolinfo@leesbrook.co.uk. Thank you for your ongoing support, and we appreciate your partnership in fostering a thriving educational community at Lees Brook Academy.

Yours faithfully,

Mr C Hunter

Assistant Principal

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