

Wednesday 15th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of an important change to our procedures for the Summer Term 2026, specifically regarding Wednesday electives and detentions.

Previously, students who had received a behaviour sanction or had not completed homework could be issued with a detention on a Wednesday to be sat on that day. This often meant that they missed their elective session. As a result, staff were required to supervise detention students instead of delivering electives, and students missed valuable opportunities for personal development and positive enrichment activities. Our Elective programme is matter of great pride and has been viewed by a number of other schools as a model of good practice and aligns fully with the new Schools' White Paper that so explicitly promotes equitable opportunities for all students.

To ensure that all students are able to participate fully in their chosen electives, and to maximise the number of staff available to deliver these sessions, we have made the following change:

- Any detentions issued during the school day on a Wednesday will be rolled over and served after school on a Thursday instead.

We believe this change supports both student wellbeing and engagement, while maintaining high expectations for behaviour and learning.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



Andy Hartley
Headteacher

