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Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope you have had a fantastic summer holiday and your child has had chance to rest, recuperate and in anticipation of the new academic year. I wanted to send a letter to remind you of key information you will need to know for the upcoming academic year.

Reminder of changes to school day

The new academic year starts on **Friday 2nd September 2022 at 9:15am**. A reminder that Monday to Thursday the Academy Day will commence at 8:25am and Fridays will be 9:15am.

Students will be expected to arrive promptly through the normal school entrance and line up in their form groups by 8:25 (9:15 on Fridays). They will be met by their Pastoral Leader and a member of SLT. The expectation is that they line up in correct uniform and have their pencil cases ready to show staff. They will then be dismissed to their form rooms.

Consequences for punctuality will now be a same day after school detention for 30 minutes. This is a change from last year when late detentions were held on the same day during lunchtime. You will be informed if your child has a detention via SMS and email.

Score	Criteria
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Follows instructions first time, every time. Displays an exemplary attitude.Organised, ready to learn.Engaged with learning and works above and beyond expectations.Displays resilience in the face of challenges.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Follows instructions first time.Organised, ready to learn.Communicate respectfully with staff and peersEngaged with learning and works to the best of their ability throughout the lesson.Works with a determined attitude.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Work produced that does not match the ability of the child.Failure to work with resilience and determination throughoutFailure to fully engaged with the lesson – passive and disengaged
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Failure to engage in learningCompletes a minimum of work expectedMay affect the engagement and attitude of peersLow level disruption evident
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Refusal to complete workRefusal to follow teacher instructionsPersistent disruptionOne-off serious disruption during the lessons



Attitude to Learning

We insist on high standards at Padgate Academy, especially when it comes to engagement with learning in the classroom. For this reason, we have introduced Attitude to Learning (AtL) scores for each lesson. Each lesson students receive a learning score (1-5) which grades their engagement, effort and overall attitude to learning for that lesson.

There will be regular communication with regards to these learning scores. The emphasis will be in celebrating and rewarding students who achieve Level 1 learning scores consistently throughout the academic year. There will also be sanctions for students who achieve below a Level 2 as this is the minimum expectation all staff will have in their classrooms. Actions will be communicated via email and text message. You will also receive reports during the year that show the average learning score your child has achieved across their subjects.

N.B. Please can you ensure that you communicate with school any changes to mobile numbers and email addresses so we can ensure there is excellent communication.

Uniform, Standards & Equipment

Uniform and standards have not changed this academic year. We expect our students to take pride in how they present themselves in their Padgate Academy uniform. You can find full details of uniform and standards here: <https://padgateacademy.co.uk/uniform-and-standards>. Please note that any concerns surrounding uniform and standards will be challenged upon arrival and the expectation will be that these are rectified prior to the start of the Academy Day.

All students will be provided with their timetable on Monday 5th September. Students are expected to have a fully equipped pencil case, scientific calculator and bag to enable them to carry all of their belongings to school. This is a basic expectation and sets the tone for the day. We want students to get the basics right and being fully equipped for the day will enable a positive learning experience. There will be an opportunity to purchase equipment from B5 each morning. Pencil cases can be purchased for £1 and a pen/pencil for 20p.

Open evening

Our annual open evening will take place on Thursday 6th October. To help us to prepare for this evening, students will still have the opportunity for lunch and will finish at 2.05pm

Yours faithfully

Mr D Vickery
Assistant Principal