



Dear Parents & Carers

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful break over the festive period, and we wish you a very Happy New Year.

It was a pleasure to welcome the school community back this morning and we began the day with assemblies for all students, where we were able to take the opportunity to deliver key messages to ensure a productive, successful and happy Spring Term for all.

Key messages

- Uniform expectation reminder, blazers are to be worn, no hoodies, skirts not to be rolled up, shirts to be tucked in
- Punctuality requirements, arrive on time and with correct equipment. If students arrive after 8.35am they will be marked as late
- Phones to be turned off and out of sight
- Jewellery to be in keeping with the school uniform policy
- Chewing gum and deodorant sprays are not allowed
- Respond promptly to staff instructions and complete all tasks to the best of your ability
- Respect all students, staff, environment and wider school community

Responding to Student Voice - Through the student council and student surveys the students tell us the things that need to improve in the school and we listen and are committed to addressing the issues that matter to the student body. Last term the students told us that we need to tackle the condition of the toilets and ensure that they are safe and pleasant for all members of our community.

I am meeting for lunch with a number of members of the student council later this week to look at short, medium and long term plans to improve our toilets including refurbishing what we currently have in place as well as redesigning and improving further in the future. However, please reiterate that the students also have an important role to play in respecting others in the community by being responsible in the way they use the toilets. In support of this we are introducing some changes which will commence tomorrow 5th January.

Key points

- All toilet doors will be locked during lesson time
- Those with toilet cards for medical reasons that require access during lesson times can use the toilet in student services. Use will be monitored and recorded
- Designated toilets will now only be open before registration starts at 8.35am, in transition between lesson change over and at the end of school day
- Toilets that will be open for lunch and break and these will be staffed appropriately
- Students must therefore take responsibility for using the toilet at break or lunch rather than waiting for the end of these recreation sessions. Using the toilets during transition between lessons is fine but once the bell goes for start of lessons, all toilets will be locked

Kind regards

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