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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very proud of how our students have returned to school following the Christmas break. This week, we have been awarding many of our students their 100% attendance awards and have presented even more Bronze Achievement Awards. We now have many students who are very close to achieving their Silver Achievement Award (awarded for 200 Achievement Points) and look forward to presenting these in assemblies.

You will be aware that at the start of the academic year we adopted the Lionheart Educational Trust's behaviour policy. Students have responded to this incredibly well, and we are pleased to see students being recognised for their hard work and positive attitude. The number of Achievement Points awarded this year significantly outweighs the number of Consequence Points given out.

Having recently started the Spring Term, we wanted to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of some of our expectations. We are very proud of our school and its community, so we want to continue to do all the things we know make us unique and successful for our young people, but also understand that we have to make some changes to raise standards at Newbridge. We listen to parental and student feedback and make appropriate changes to policies and systems at the school.

As part of the Lionheart Educational Trust's common behaviour policy, the structure for consequences is:

- · C1 First time of asking to adjust behaviour.
- · C2 After a failure to adjust student will be issued a consequence point and a same day after school detention. (45 Mins)
- · C3 If a teacher needs to issue a C3, the student will be removed from the lesson via on call staff, this will incur a same day after school detention (90 Mins)

This will have a positive impact to lessons and will lead to reduced likelihood of disruption. Detentions have been changed to 45 minutes for a C2, and 90 minutes for a C3. We would like your support in encouraging your child to attend detentions.







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Please be aware that if your child misses a detention this will be escalated and can lead to a day in isolation (10am-5pm) followed by a formal meeting with parents/carers.

Uniform

This term, we have also spoken to students about the importance of uniform. Can we please take this opportunity to remind you that students should be wearing their school lanyard and card everyday as part of their Newbridge uniform.

Whilst the weather is cold, students are reminded that they are permitted to wear a jumper. For Year 10 and 11 this is a plain black jumper. For Years 7 - 9 in the new uniform, this is a plain grey or blue jumper which can be worn under their blazer.

Full school uniform should be worn correctly at all times during the school day.

Students are not allowed to wear

- · Hoodies
- · Jumpers or sweatshirts with logos and/or branding
- · Shoes with obvious branding
- · Jeans/leggings/joggers
- · Large items of jewellery that could cause a health and safety risk, for example hooped nose or earrings*
- · False nails

If students are found to be wearing incorrect uniform, non-uniform items (e.g. branded jumpers, hoodies) they will be confiscated. Students may be sent home to change. Hoodies will be confiscated, and students can pick them up from reception at the end of the school day. If students are not in school uniform they will receive a C1. Please ensure that your child is sent to school in an appropriate coat that is not a hoodie as they will be asked to remove any hoodies.

At The Newbridge School we teach students they should be ready to work hard in lessons and take responsibility. This includes being fully equipped for lessons. All students are expected to







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bring a school bag that it big enough to fit an A4 folder inside. At all times, students should have a pencil case containing at least:

- · Two black pens
- · Two pencils
- · Two green pens
- · One rubber
- · One ruler (preferably 30 cm)
- · One protractor
- · One scientific calculator

If a student arrives at school without any of these items, they will be issued with a C1.

We also recommend that students always have a reading book in their bags.

If you need our support with uniform or equipment, please contact your child's Head of Year. We appreciate your support in making Newbridge a place to be proud of.

Kind regards,

The Newbridge School

