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Dear Parent/Carer,

At SMRT we know that we have high expectations of all our students. This is because we want them to develop healthy routines that will help them in the future. As part of our behaviour and good relationships policy, we use after-school detentions as a sanction when students have not made the right choices. These take place after school every day. We have reviewed our systems and processes around detentions and have decided to introduce two further detention types.

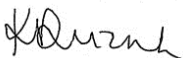
Lunchtime detentions – these will take place every day for 25 minutes at the start of lunchtime. Students who fail to attend their after-school detention for any reason must attend a lunchtime detention the following day as a consequence.

Friday 1 hour detention after-school – This is a Friday only detention with a member of the Senior Leadership Team. The detention will last for 1 hour and will be for students who fail to attend their lunchtime detention or have shown defiance when told to attend either their after-school or lunchtime detention.

You will be informed 24 hours in advance of any after-school detention through a detention notification. Incidents that are serious enough to warrant a detention will result in an additional behaviour point so you will also receive a second behaviour point notification.

If you require further clarification on this, please contact your child's Head of Year. We hope this new approach will improve communication between school and home, but as with any new system it may need to time to bed in. So please bear with us and let us know if there any issues.

Thank you for your support.



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