



ST. MATTHEW'S
Roman Catholic High School

We Pray, We Care, We Achieve

6 May 2021

Dear parents/carers,

I am writing to you to thank you for your support since we returned back as a full community in March. Our recent analysis of behaviour issues, stakeholder perceptions and our recent OFSTED monitoring visit have all assured us that we are continuing to make rapid progress. This cannot be achieved without parental/carer support and so I want to ask you to support us as we re-visit some expectations over the next few weeks.

We have insisted on cooperation with full uniform, PE kit and our insistence on no mobile phones on site. We continue to strive for higher standards so that all our students are safe, focused on learning and are treated equally. I would like to remind you of our detention system here at St. Matthew's. At the start of the year I launched this system with all students and staff to ensure that any behaviour issues could be dealt with as soon as possible. In turn, we supplemented this with an enhanced rewards policy to celebrate growth and consistent excellence. Here is a summary of the (C) consequence system.

Mrs Murden has three expectations of all students;

- Respect your learning
- Respect the learning of others
- Respect anything an adult reasonably asks you to do

If a student needs to be reminded of these expectations, then the C system is applied;

- **C1: Choice**-A reminder is given about standards. This is not recorded formally
- **C2: Chance**-A student will be spoken to individually about the choices they are making and how this could escalate. This will be recorded on our internal system
- **C3: Consequence**-A student has not responded and will now have a detention with possible removal to our supervision room. This is recorded and if done so by 1:15pm, the detention will take place the same day. You will be contacted by Edulink. If after 1:15pm, the detention will be the next day.

Consequences are applied to address unacceptable standards of behaviour or attitudes to learning with an aim to re-establish effective learning. This includes homework. I am requesting that all parents/carers continue to support us by re-affirming this message at home and ensuring that your child attends any detentions that they may receive. If you have any questions about this, you can contact me and we can discuss the matter or I can refer you to the correct member of the pastoral team.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr. A Passarelli
Pastoral Deputy Headteacher