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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you about a new initiative in school. From Monday 26 November, we will be having a zero-tolerance push on low-level disruptive behaviour in lessons. Learning time is extremely valuable and any disruption to this cannot be tolerated.

Low-level disruption covers behaviours such as:

- Not having the correct equipment
- Having conversations which are not about the learning
- Being late to the lesson
- Tapping on the table
- Asking teachers questions which are not about the learning
- Any other behaviours, which slow down the pace of learning or make it harder for other students to learn.

The reason for taking this action is to improve the achievement of our students, as students cannot learn in classrooms where there are distractions or interruptions to the learning-taking place.

What will happen?

We are not changing our behaviour policy. Students will still be given: a Warning and a Move Seat (Second Warning) before they are red carded (sent to a different classroom to work independently). Therefore, they will have the opportunity to change their behaviour before they are disallowed from participating in the lesson.

If a student receives two red cards, in a single teaching day, you will be informed and your child will be issued with a detention (with the senior leadership team) after school until 4pm. If your child repeatedly gets red Cards, you will be invited in to school for a meeting to discuss the obstacles to your child learning in the classroom.



I hope that you see this as positive and that it is in order to help the vast majority of our students succeed and reach their full potential. We would like students to take full responsibility for their attitude to learning at school and therefore encourage you to discuss this matter with them.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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