



TARLETON
ACADEMY

Headteacher: Mr S Parker

Dear Parents/Carers

Updated Behaviour Procedures and Detention Escalations

Happy New Year! On behalf of all staff at Tarleton Academy, we hope this message finds you and your family well as we welcome 2025. We are excited to welcome students back to school tomorrow for the start of a new term, and we are looking forward to an engaging and productive year ahead. To ensure a smooth transition back to school, we kindly ask for your support in making sure that students are prepared with the appropriate uniform and necessary equipment, enabling them to settle quickly and dive straight into their learning.

As part of our established routines, we are pleased to continue hosting our Meet the Headteacher evenings this term. Parents and carers are invited to book a ten-minute slot with Mr Parker to discuss any matters they would like to address in person. A booking link will be shared in the coming week, and the event will take place in school on **Wednesday 15th January**, between 16:00 and 18:00. Should the event reach full capacity, an additional date will be arranged for the following week. Further details, including booking instructions, will be provided via a letter from School Cloud.

We remain focused on fostering a safe, orderly, and positive learning environment where every student can thrive. We believe it is essential to recognise and celebrate students who make positive choices while providing clear and fair challenges when improvements are needed. From January 2025, we will be implementing a new procedure for the escalation of detentions. This updated approach has been carefully developed to provide greater clarity for students, ensuring they understand the consequences of those actions which are not aligned with our school values.

As a school we have four levels of sanctions: lunchtime detention, 30-minute detention, 60-minute detention, and an after-school detention in isolation. Below outlines the escalations for each stage.

Escalations at each stage
<p>Lunchtime Detention in room 1.03 For 5 <i>Choices</i> or <i>Demerits</i> in a week or for 3 late <i>Demerits</i> in a week.</p>
<p>30 minute after-school detention (Monday- Thursday) in room 1.03 For a <i>Consequence</i> (removal from a lesson) or failing to attend a lunchtime detention (see above).</p>
<p>60 minute after-school detention on Friday in room 1.03 For failing to attend a <i>Consequence</i> detention (see above).</p>
<p>Lunch time, P5 isolation and a 60 minute after school detention in the Ribble For failing to attend a 60-minute after school detention on a Friday. To be completed the following week, after the missed Friday detention. The students' phone is confiscated for the duration and a cold 'grab-bag' lunch will be provided.</p>



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As part of our ongoing commitment to support students in making positive choices, we will continue the following strategies:

- Phone calls home: Staff will keep parents/carers informed of both positive behaviour and those behaviours which require a sanction.
- Restorative conversations: Staff will engage with students to address behaviour constructively and help them reflect on their actions where appropriate.

As previously communicated, from tomorrow, all school communication will be managed exclusively through the Arbor app. Currently, 75% of families have signed up, and we will be working closely with those who have yet to make the transition to ensure full participation in the coming weeks. For families who have already downloaded and installed the Arbor app, any detentions that are issued can be seen on the daily calendar (see below). Detentions that are scheduled in the future can be seen by toggling between dates on the calendar from the home screen.

Calendar - Wed, 08 Jan 2025		
Prev. Day	Today	Next Day
08:50 - 09:15	Tutor Period (Gen): Year 10: 10T/Tp5	1.10
09:15 - 10:15	Spanish (GCSEF): Year 10: 10A/Sp1	2.34
10:15 - 11:15	Design & Technology (GCSEF): Year...	1.10
11:35 - 12:35	English (GCSEF): Year 10: 10TT/En	1.32
12:35 - 13:35	Maths (GCSEF): Year 10: 10TT/Ma	1.07
14:15 - 15:15	Chemistry (GCSEF): Year 10: 10TT/Ch	2.04
15:15 - 15:45	After School Detention 30mins (We...	1.03

We appreciate your continued support as we work together to maintain high standards of behaviour and create a positive learning environment for all students. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your understanding and partnership.

Yours faithfully,



Mr S. Parker
Headteacher