

## **Standards and Expectations at Hanson**

From September 2017, we will be launching an exciting approach regarding how we reward students and how we will manage their behaviour. We have already launched to students a very successful presentation in assemblies, which is seeing significant impact in key areas around standards of behaviour. Additionally, we have seen a significant and a notable improvement in the standards of student uniform and an improvement in punctuality to lessons. This is excellent to be able to report such changes already. Here are some of the key summaries that you will need to be made aware of.

### **Rewards for Students**

At Hanson, we actively encourage positive praise through various means. We believe that positive praise and recognition is at the heart of everything that we do. Students will be keeping a record of stamps in their planners, which will lead to an accumulation of credits. Students will work towards different levels of certificates that will be kept in a Record of Achievement, for the students to share with parents/carers. We also send postcards, letters and text messages to keep parents/carers informed of the positive progress that their child is making. Termly award assemblies are also built into the reward's system and we will be looking to create a 'Student Success board' to celebrate the achievements of students in lessons. These will be chosen by their Head of Year, who will meet with the student to create a short biography of the student's successes. This will be kept in a folder for visitors to acknowledge and a copy will also be sent home for parents/carers. The school will also be keeping parents/carers informed if there are any concerns about the progress or behaviour of a student.

### **Sanctions for Students**

The student planner is the main form of communication with home. In the planner, parents/carers will be able to see daily achievements, as well as negative comments. Staff can write a negative comment for a range of misdemeanours, an example being poor behaviour for learning. Students can be kept behind at the end of the day for a detention if they accrue 3 negative comments in a lesson or have broken a school rule within the school setting. Although we do not have to give 24 hours notice, we endeavour to do so.

Please refer to the student planner for the various levels of sanctions that can be put in place. When a student's behaviour is unsatisfactory and we feel it warrants more than an after school detention, we do remove them from lessons and place them into the isolation room to work individually for a set period of time. If a student fails isolation or refuses isolation, they will face a fixed period exclusion from school. Again, a detailed summary of the behavior policy will be found in the student planner, and on the school website. We endeavour to keep parents/carers informed of their child's progress, positive attitude and negative behavior. Parents/carers will be asked to come into school to discuss the negative behaviour of their child if this behaviour proves to be persistent.

### **School bags**

As part of the school uniform, we will be enforcing that students come to school with an appropriate sized school bag that will be able to fit their: student planner, A4 sized work books, equipment and PE Kit. Although there are lockers located around the school, there are not enough for each individual student, therefore, it is imperative that they have a bag that can fit the school essentials.

## **Mobile phones**

We do not actively encourage students to bring mobile phones into school, however, we are aware that many students do have them on their person. **Mobile phones** are brought to school **at the student's own risk**; they must be switched off and kept in the student's school bag during the school day.

If any student has a mobile phone out on school site – and this includes coming into or leaving school - or it is heard going off, it will be confiscated for 48 hours. After 48 hours, the mobile phone can be collected from reception at the end of the school day by the student. A negative comment will also be issued. **Only a parent/carer may collect the phone before the confiscation period of 48 hours is up.**

If a mobile phone is confiscated on a Thursday, it will be available for collection after school on Friday and if a mobile phone is confiscated on Friday, it will be available for collection on Monday after school. Students will be issued with a letter for parents/carers, informing them that their phone has been confiscated.

The above rules also apply to MP3 players, smart watches, ipods etc.

In September, you will receive a further letter suggesting a date and time outlining an opportunity for you to come into school and be given a presentation on the Positive Discipline system. Further details will also be found in your child's school planner and on the school website.