



WELLACRE

19th December, 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

At Wellacre we have high expectations of our students and therefore in our aim to achieve our ambition of excellence, we have made specific changes to key areas of the Behaviour for Learning Policy.

The policy will be effective from **7th January 2019** and updates have been made specifically to the Behaviour Points tariff section of the policy and the current Internal Isolation protocols. Please refer to the highlighted section of the attached document for further information.

Whilst writing, may I please take this opportunity to remind parents/carers of our uniform policy. The vast majority of our students wear their full school uniform with pride, however there is unfortunately a small minority of students that are in breach of the uniform policy. **Smart black shoes are required to be worn; trainers or pumps will not be permitted, nor will branded sport type footwear. Dark grey trousers must also be worn and preferably a straight leg fit as skinny fit is not acceptable.** We have many items of uniform in school for students to loan on a daily basis if they forget their own as a temporary resolve. We can provide financial assistance in exceptional circumstances for uniform costs if parent/carers are unable to make provision. **Students who do not wear full school uniform will be issued with a C3 detention. For those students without uniform, who refuse to wear an item from our school stock, they will be placed in Isolation for the day.**

We would encourage parents/carers to ensure that their son has a waterproof, winter coat to wear in January to suit the climate if they don't already own one. **Hoodies are not permitted to be worn on the school site and will be confiscated.**

All students are expected to arrive fully equipped to school each day and prepared to learn. It is recommended that each student has at least two pens, a pencil, ruler, rubber, reading book and an appropriate waterproof bag to carry them in.

Based on staff and student feedback, students will no longer be issued with a Learning Journal. All communications about homework, behavior for learning and records will now solely be via Class Charts. We therefore recommend that students access classcharts.com to undertake their independent learning tasks and meet the required submission dates. If parents require help to access Class Charts please contact your son's Achievement Tutor.

If your son cycles to and from school, we would very much appreciate your support in ensuring that he has adequate lighting for his bike, along with a helmet and high visibility clothing. As the winter evenings are dark earlier, especially on a Wednesday upon completion of Period 6, students are particularly more vulnerable on the road if they do not have the required cycling



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safety items. Please also ensure that your son is road safety aware and understands the importance of riding his bike responsibly.

If any parent/carer would like further information, or is unclear about the information contained in this communication, please contact me at school by email at scasey@wellcre.org or alternatively via the school receptionist.

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation and support in assisting Wellacre's students to meet its core values and may I also take this opportunity to wish you, your son and your family an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break. We look forward to welcoming your son back to Wellacre on Monday 7th January.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. S. Casey
Assistant Principal

