

4<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## Dear Parent/Guardian

Last year, we introduced a new behaviour code at Bryntirion to promote the principles necessary for a purposeful and orderly school environment,

We have three simple rules for pupils to follow –

- 1) Be Ready
- 2) Be Respectful
- 3) Be Safe

In our induction sessions next week, we will be reemphasising The Bryntirion Way – our expectations and the codes that are already in place. As always, we want our students to arrive at school on time and ready to learn, to be respectful to all staff, their fellow students and themselves, and be safe both within the classroom and in the corridors around the school.

In these times of Covid-19 we feel it is more important than ever that our school culture and environment gives every student the best possible learning experience in a safe and calm environment. To support this we have amended our behaviour policy for September and will be sharing this with all pupils when they return to school. Please find below the additions to the policy in line with government and local authority guidelines:

- Pupils should not attend school if they are unwell or if anyone in their families have Covid-19 symptoms. (NHS guidance can be sought from 111.nhs.uk)
- Pupils should not touch one another
- Pupils should adhere to the one-way system in place around the school and ONLY use the areas designated to them. All other areas are out of bounds
- The catwalk is now out of bounds to everyone other than staff and 6<sup>th</sup> form pupils
- Pupils must walk around corridors in single file, where possible, and keep to the left
- Pupils should use hand sanitizer at designated spots around the school, before school and before every lesson. Alternatively, they should wash their hands for 20 seconds
- Pupils must not gather in large groups inside or outside the school
- Pupils should report to school with the required equipment, and should not share this equipment with others
- Pupils must stop and wait when asked to do so
- Pupils should cough and sneeze into their elbow
- Pupils should place all tissues into the designated pedal bins
- Pupils should avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth
- Shouting and spitting is prohibited
- Pupils should, wherever possible maintain distance from others. Where possible they should maintain a 2m distance from staff and other adults

To make further improvements to the foundations of good learning - equipment, uniform, lateness to lessons and corridor behaviour - we will be running daily detentions at the end of the school day. As always you will be given 24 hours notice of any after school detentions.

If a pupil's behaviour is deemed to be high risk (which could include not co-operating with safety measures or deliberately putting others at risk), this will be dealt with immediately and robustly. In other words, if the health and safety of other pupils and staff members are jeopardised by a pupil not adhering to the behaviour policy, the parent/carers will be contacted and expected to collect their child from school immediately.

As ever, we appreciate your cooperation in keeping all pupils safe and wish to thank you once more for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

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