



# Eckington School

Chorus Education Trust

5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

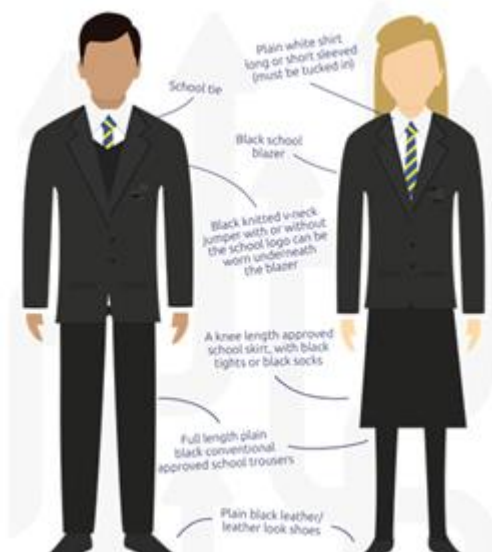
## New Academic Year – September 2023

I hope you have had a pleasant summer. Eckington School reopens for all students on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Students should be in school by 0830. Please see below important information for parents, carers and students.

## Future INSET Days

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – INSET Day – School closed to all students.
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 – INSET DAY – School closed to all students.
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024 – INSET day – School closed to all students.

## Uniform and Equipment Expectations



Exemplary standards of appearance and dress supports outstanding attitudes to learning. All students are expected to adhere to our uniform and equipment expectations at all times.

### **Please note the following:**

- Facial/body piercings are not allowed.
- A single ear stud is allowed in each ear.
- Shirts should be formal, white and always tucked in.
- Skirts must be a suitable length.
- Aerosol deodorants should not be brought to school.

## *Outstanding Achievement for All*

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- Mobile phones and other electronic devices should be turned off and placed in student bags at all times.

In addition to the above, please ensure that your son/daughter has the correct equipment. They will need the following: Black pens; stationery such as a ruler, pencil; a suitable bag, large enough to hold all their equipment, plus PE kit.

**Due to the hot weather forecast for the 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September, students do not need to wear their school blazers. However, shirts must be tucked in and ties worn correctly. Blazers will be compulsory from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.**

### **New Behaviour Policy at Eckington School – Starting in September 2023**

I am pleased to inform you that in September 2023, Eckington School will be introducing a new behaviour policy designed to improve the standards of behaviour.

#### **New: Same-Day Detention System**

If a student reaches the “Remove Stage” of the school’s new Ready to Learn classroom behaviour system, they will receive an automatic same-day 30-minute detention. If a student receives an “on-call” or has two “Removes” in a day, they will receive a same-day 60-minute detention.

Parents will be notified via an automated text system at approximately 2pm if their child has received a detention. If a student is removed or on-called during period 5, their detention will be deferred until the following day.

There will be a late bus everyday leaving at approximately 4:10PM to ensure all students can travel home (should parents be unable to collect).

#### **New: The Eckington Way**

The Eckington Way poster underpins the school’s expectations and values.



**Safe:** safety is at the heart of everything we do at Eckington School

**Calm:** students are expected to be calm on corridors, in lessons, around school and on school buses

**Polite and Kind:** students are expected to treat other students and staff with respect

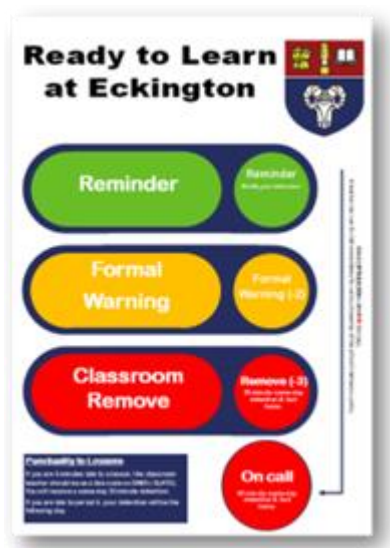
**Prepared:** students are expected to have good levels of attendance and punctuality. Students are also expected to bring the correct equipment to school and wear the correct school uniform.

**Ambitious:** students are expected to try their very best in all aspects of school life to enable them to maximise their full potential and leave Eckington School with excellent qualifications.

**New: Commendations and Corrections System (for out of lesson positive and negative behaviour)**

From September, students will be awarded “commendations” for good out of lesson behaviour and “corrections” for negative out of lesson behaviour. These will be recorded in the student planner. The tariff of rewards for good behaviour and consequences for negative behaviour is below:

Commendations Tariff		Corrections	
5 in a week	Positive text home	5 in a week	30-minute detention
10 in a week	Positive phone call home	10 in a week	60-minute detention
15 in a week	A week’s queue jump card	15 in a week	1-day internal suspension



**New: Ready to Learn Classroom Behaviour System**

The new Ready to Learn classroom behaviour system is designed to improve in-class behaviour, enabling students to make excellent levels of academic progress.

During a lesson, if a student misbehaves, they will be issued with a:

- **Reminder** – students will be reminded by their teacher
- **Warning** - students will be issued with a warning if behaviour continues
- **Remove** – if a student continues to misbehave, the student will be sent to the Remove Room for the remainder of the lesson. The student will be issued with a same-day 30-minute detention.

- **On Call** – if a student continues to misbehave, or displays unacceptable behaviour, they will receive a same-day 60-minute detention.
- **Punctuality to lessons** – if a student is over 5 minutes late to a lesson, they will be issued with an L code and a same-day 30-minute detention.

### Two-week Timetable

From September, students will be following a two-week timetable. Some lessons will be different in week one, compared with week two. Therefore, it is essential that students put their timetable in their planners. There will be a noticeboard in every classroom that will inform students regarding which week they are on.

Yours faithfully,



Mr R Cronin, Headteacher



Mr C Power, Deputy Headteacher  
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Mr D Steed, Deputy Headteacher:  
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