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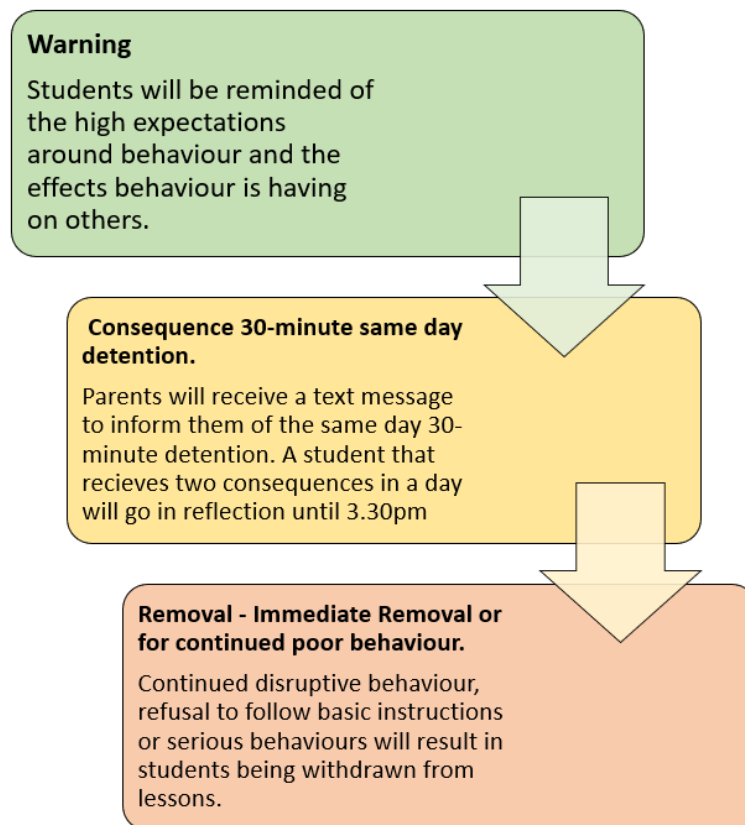
Dear parents and carers

As this half term draws to a close and we start to look forward to some better weather, I wanted to update you on some developments at Chaucer School that will affect your children from next half term. I also wanted to give all parents the opportunity to share opinions on all aspects of school life at the end of this letter.

As we move forward with the development of Chaucer School, there are times when it is right to update our policies and procedures. We are at this stage with our Behaviour and Relationships policy, and the process for ensuring that all children can learn in a disruption free classroom.

For some time now, students have been used to four 'phases' to help manage behaviour in the classroom, where students get two warnings about behaviour, before incurring an after-school detention at Phase 3, and if disruptive behaviour continues, a student would be removed at Phase 4. The vast majority of students do not receive phases in a lesson and we believe there should be less opportunities for the minority to disrupt learning, allowing teachers more time to help student to make progress. We feel it is appropriate to change that system now, and raise the expectations once again.

From Monday the 24th of February, the following three stage system will be in place in lessons:



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We believe that consistent application of the '**Warning – Consequence – Removal**' system will further decrease low level disruption in classrooms, and further improve the quality of education for all students. Students have all been introduced to the new system by their tutors this week. Reasonable adjustments will always be made for students with Special Educational Needs, but within that system of high expectations. In Reflection, the four-phase system remains in place.

The updated Relationships and Behaviour Policy can be found on our website if you would like further details around this or any other of our behaviour processes in school.

Finally, I would be grateful to parents if they would take ten minutes to complete a survey about a range of aspects about school. You will be texted a link to a Microsoft Forms survey, but it can also be found here: <https://forms.office.com/e/zgmf4yRzC7>

Parent voice gathered both in this way or in person helps us examine our practices and continue to improve. If you wish to add any further in-depth comments, please send them directly to school using the enquiries@chaucer.sheffield.sch.uk email address. You can use the same email to request a meeting about specific issues related to your child at any time.

Wishing you a calm and restful half term break.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanna Crewe', written in a cursive style.

Joanna Crewe
Headteacher