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Dear Parents / Carers

At Farlingaye we are proud of the excellent behaviour displayed by our students. The vast majority of our students are kind, respectful and responsible members of our school community.

For those times when students choose to go against the school rules, causing disruption to the learning environment or showing a lack of respect for our community, we have a range of sanctions. Sanctions help students to learn the life lesson that there are consequences for the choices and actions that we take. We are always extremely grateful for the support shown by parents and carers.

From next Monday, 24th April, our detentions process will change. Students who receive a short (30 minute) school detention will do their detention at lunch and will have time at the end to have their lunch break. Students who receive a long detention (one hour) will do this detention after the school day has ended at 3.25. Detentions will be organised so that students who require a late bus home will be able to use late buses on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. We are making this change to increase the impact of our long detentions and to allow students a reasonable break during the school day. Students will be asked to complete school work or homework in their detention time after school. They will also complete a reflection sheet which will help them to consider the choices that they made and how they can put things right. The after-school detention will finish at 4.25.

The government allows schools to detain students and the government website states that schools don't have to give parents notice of after-school detentions or tell them why a detention has been given. However, at Farlingaye, we will always endeavour to make parents and carers aware that their child has an after-school detention. A text will go to parents and carers via the school gateway by lunchtime on the day of the detention.

If you have any questions about any of the above information, please contact me at Farlingaye.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Sievewright
Headteacher
Farlingaye High School