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18th February 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As the Deputy Head Teacher of Longfield Academy, I have the pleasure of writing to you to highlight the huge amount of pupils we have above 92% on their ClassCharts wheel, a fantastic 78% of the school, that is 679 pupils in total; this is a fantastic achievement and I want to take this opportunity to say well done to those pupils who continue to display exceptional conduct and behaviour consistently, we acknowledge and appreciate your impeccable manners.

Secondly, I want to take this time to be honest with you and your family about education and how all schools are still recovering from a pandemic. Due to society recovering from a pandemic, we have experienced a significant impact on staffing, with supply teachers teaching within the building and as a result of this destabilisation, we have experienced some incidents of inappropriate conduct from a minority of pupils at Longfield Academy. I am pleased to say that this week our staffing has returned to pre-Christmas levels meaning pupils will be in front of their regular teachers on a daily basis.

As you know, poor behaviour hinders the learning and progress of others in the school and as such is unacceptable.

In order for the minority of pupils to join in exhibiting excellent behaviour and attitudes, we will be implementing a number of positive improvements when we return to school after February half term. As we see more staff consistently in the building and a sense of normality within our reach, now is the time for Longfield Academy to ensure all pupils conduct and behave themselves in a PROUD manner: **Passionate, Respectful, Organised, United and Determined.**

Please see the link that will take you to the school's values charter:
<https://longfield.swiftacademies.org.uk/the-longfield-way/>

To ensure high standards are set from the start of the school day, the timings of the day will slightly change for pupils. This will allow the first 30 minutes of the school day to focus on standards, equipment and uniform across the whole school; as well as revision strategies, assemblies and the core character values we believe in at Longfield, being **PROUD**.

Timings of the School Day

You will notice below that although the start and end time of the school day remains the same, We Are Longfield time has been moved to the morning to allow form tutors to check that pupils are lesson ready with the correct uniform and equipment, and to reiterate the standards that we expect at Longfield Academy. **Pupils should be in form time by 8.50am.** A reminder that Breakfast Club is open from 8.30am in the canteen where all pupils can receive free toast.



<i>Breakfast (Canteen)</i>	<i>8.30am - 8.45am</i>
Form Time	8.50am - 9.20am
PERIOD 1	9.20am - 10.20am
PERIOD 2	10.20am - 11.20am
Break Time	11.20am - 11.35am
PERIOD 3	11.35am - 12.35pm
Lunch Time	12.35pm - 1.20pm
PERIOD 4	1.20pm - 2.20pm
PERIOD 5	2.20pm - 3.20pm

Monday 28th February

All pupils are due back to school on Monday 28th February 2022. Please make sure your child brings their pencil case and planner, which they were gifted by the school, as well as a water bottle for their hydration during the school day. KS3 pupils, Years 7, 8 and 9, should also bring a reading book of their choice to school every day.

ClassCharts

I know you will all be extremely supportive of the new push on standards and improving the school environment for all. Please take this opportunity to refresh your mind of your child's ClassCharts login and please support us by 'logging-in' and discussing this with your child at home.

Your parent code for <<ChosenName>>: **<<Result:ClassChart Parent Code - ClassChart Parent Code>>**

We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 28th February 2022 and we wish our Year 11 pupils good luck for their mock exams.



Yours sincerely,
Mr S. Rawle