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Dear Parents/Carers

As you will be aware we hold punctuality to school as a key requirement for all our students. It teaches them the importance of organisation, responsibility and respect, all of which will hold them in good stead when they move on from us into the world of work or further education.

At present the punctuality of the school body is improving with 97-98% of the students in on time every day.

When a student has been late we have been sending text messages to alert parents, so if they were unaware of the reasons for the lateness they could discuss this with their child.

At present a student is late for school if their tutor has finished taking the register in registration time which starts at 8.45am.

From May half term 2021 there will be some changes to the 'Lates' system in school:

- On a student's first late in a half term you will receive a text message.
- On a student's second late in a half term you will receive another text message.
- On a student's third and all subsequent lates in a half term the student will be required to attend an after school detention.
- At the end of the half term all students will re-start the next half term with zero lates in this system.

As most students are not late more than once or twice a half term this will not affect the vast majority of our students directly, but should impact on a handful of those regularly coming into tutor period late and potentially disrupting the learning of others.

If you have a genuine reason for your child being late to school please contact us on 01271 374381, we will then not count this late in our system, likewise if a school bus is delayed we will also take this into account.

If you have any questions about this please contact me at school on tlark@pilton.college or 01271 374381.

Yours faithfully

Mr T Lark
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