



# Emerson Park Academy

## A SPECIALIST SPORTS COLLEGE

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Dear Parent/Carer

As you will be aware from my previous letter we have over the last 2 weeks had a focus or 'purge' on a number of issues. I am pleased to report that this is beginning to have a noticeable effect across the academy. Very few of our students are not in full uniform and those few remaining are being dealt with. The consistent message regarding the need to be fully equipped is having an impact. Again very few students are arriving now without the essential equipment needed for a full day of learning.

I am writing to inform you of my intention to continue in our efforts to minimise any disruption to learning and ask for your continued support. Next week, 27<sup>th</sup> June, all students will be expected to have a pen, pencil, ruler and rubber. I must stress that this is a minimum expectation and welcome the fact that most of our students come equipped with coloured pencils, felts, calculator, protractor, pencil, sharpeners, spare pens and pencils. Those students who are not equipped for lessons will have sanctions applied.

With regard to disruptive behaviour in lessons, I need to inform you that if a student does not respond to the instructions of their class teacher and then fails to respond appropriately to the relevant Head of Faculty, as a new measure, the student will be removed from that lesson and placed in a room with a member of staff where they will be expected to complete their work in silence. As a consequence, these students will be issued with a 60 minute detention which will be completed that evening. We believe this will only be applied to a very small group of students and I am sure that you will continue to support our approach. Behaviour which disrupts learning will not be tolerated at this Academy.

On a positive note, I am pleased to report that the students have responded well to our insistence that mobile phones should neither be seen nor heard at any time other than break or lunch. Those few students where we have had to repeatedly confiscate mobile phones have been told not bring their mobile phones into school.

We appreciate your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

K S Walsh  
Head Teacher

