



Horsforth School

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Dear Parent/Carer

New Positive Behaviour Policy

We last updated the Positive Behaviour Policy in 2012. Given that this was a while ago, at the end of last term we felt that it was time to review and update the policy, particularly in regards to whole school rewards. In preparation for this we consulted with you via an online survey in March and also with our staff and students.

Consequently, we have a new revised Positive Behaviour Policy for September 2019. Despite new classroom and corridor rules, there is little change to the sanction system; the verbal warning and comment system that we already have in place works and is effective for low level disruption.

The main changes are with our rewards systems. Rewards points have been replaced with credits. Students will receive credits for 'Getting Things Right' from subject and pastoral staff. Students will receive an automatic **banked credit** each lesson for good behaviour. Staff will also issue **bonus credits**, through a credit stamp in the student planner. Once a half term, students will be given their overall combined credit totals in a form time to record. High credit scores at the end of each half term will equate to prizes, commendation letters, rewards or trips. Amongst an array of new incentives, we will introduce a second rewards trip in February for high credit totals.

We hope the new rewards systems proves a better incentive and recognition of excellence and that it will renew commitment even further so that our students continue to bring their best to Horsforth School every day.

Attached to this email are the new school visuals for the new Rewards and Sanctions systems, which are now in operation. Please do read these for further information and I hope that you find these both clear and transparent. The full Positive Behaviour Policy can be accessed via the school website.

Best wishes

Mrs S Nowell

Deputy Headteacher

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