



13 February 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

As we reach the end of this half term, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and to share some of the positive developments we have seen across the school.

Over recent weeks, students have engaged extremely well with our **READY for Learning checks** during morning mentor time. These daily routines are an important part of setting students up for a successful day, and it has been wonderful to see so many mentor groups demonstrating **faultless uniform and equipment** in line with our **Finham Five** expectations. Staff have been genuinely impressed by the pride and consistency shown by the majority of our students.

A small number of students have been wearing **black trousers instead of the required grey**. We appreciate that uniform can sometimes need replacing unexpectedly; if you require any support with uniform items, please contact your child's mentor in the first instance and we will be happy to help.

Next half term, we will be placing a strong emphasis on **punctuality**, ensuring that students arrive to school and lessons on time and ready to learn. This remains a key part of our expectations, as every minute of learning counts. As a reminder students need to be on school site for 8.40pm at the latest as at this point exterior gates will be locked and students will need to enter through our late gate process. Once on site we ask all students to ensure they move to period 1 (mentor period) ready for an 8.45pm start to the day.

If your child is in the sixth form, please remind them they are expected to be on time for school every day and that they should arrive at every lesson promptly. Post 16 students are the oldest in the school, so must set an example by having excellent punctuality across the week. Post 16 students who are late twice in one week are expected to sit a lunchtime detention on Friday of the same week.

When students return after the break, we will be continuing to reinforce three core principles that underpin effective movement around the school site:

1. **Move purposefully**
2. **Engage respectfully**
3. **Enter READY to learn**

These simple, consistent messages help create a school climate where every student can thrive, and we appreciate your support in promoting them at home.

Thank you once again for your partnership this half term. We hope all students enjoy a restful break, and we look forward to welcoming them back refreshed and ready for the term ahead.

Yours faithfully

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