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Dear Parent/Carer,

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year. The start to term here at The Sittingbourne School has been extremely positive with the vast majority of students showing fantastic engagement in their learning. There have been some excellent examples of student work with over 4,000 achievement points awarded last week alone!

Whilst there has been a productive atmosphere across the school, there are still some issues that we need to address moving forwards. Mr Smith wrote a letter previously and I hope that this letter serves as a reminder of our expectations.

Firstly, in recent weeks there has been an increase in the number of students who are late to school. Being late to school has a significant impact on progress and as such, must be avoided. For the remainder of this term, students who are late to school will receive a same day after school detention for one hour. Of course, if there is a genuine reason for the lateness, this will be authorised. However, please note that usual rush hour traffic is not considered a valid reason for lateness.

Secondly, may I remind you that jewellery (rings, earrings etc) are not permitted in school; the same applies to hoodies. Whilst the weather has been cold, all students must ensure they are wearing the correct uniform and can wear a blue v-neck jumper should they wish to wear another layer. Students who wear incorrect items of uniform are likely to have them confiscated. These confiscated items will only be returned to parents. Finally, please ensure that skirts are of an appropriate type and length - there have been a number of students wearing tight fitting skirts that are too short. Skirts should be a black Charleston-style, pleated skirt, worn at an appropriate length - students who decide not to follow this expectation can expect to receive appropriate consequences.

I hope that the positive start to the term continues and would like to thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Associate Deputy Headteacher