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Dear Parents/Carers

RE: New policy regarding school exercise books

As we continually strive to enhance our students' academic progress, responsibility, and engagement with their learning, we are writing to inform you of an update to our daily routines. Starting from September, students will take their exercise books home at the end of each school day. They will only need to bring back the specific books required for the subjects and lessons they have on their timetable the following morning.

We believe this initiative will significantly benefit our students' educational journey. By allowing books to come home daily, we hope to strengthen the home-school partnership, giving you the opportunity to regularly view your child's work, track their progress, and celebrate their achievements first-hand. Furthermore, taking daily ownership of their learning materials encourages students to take greater pride and responsibility in the presentation and quality of their work. Having daily access to their resources empowers students to independently review their lessons, consolidate their learning, and prepare effectively for upcoming assessments.

To ensure a smooth transition, we have put several supporting measures in place. It is now a requirement that every student brings a suitable school bag each day to safely transport their books and equipment. Please be assured that we are committed to ensuring no student is disadvantaged; support and reasonable adjustments will be made for students with specific additional needs which mean they are unable to carry their books to and from school.

We appreciate that adjusting to this new routine may take time. It is vital that students bring their books to every lesson, and while forgotten books will result in a standard behaviour point. Please note that teachers will continue to manage their marking schedules efficiently, occasionally keeping books when detailed assessments are required, but otherwise ensuring they return home with your child.

We greatly appreciate your continued support in helping our students develop these essential organisational skills. Please take some time to discuss this new routine with your child over the coming days, and do not hesitate to contact your child's form tutor if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



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