



## **Loudwater Combined School**

*Learn, Create, Succeed*

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to parents with children in Year 5 and Year 6 with information about after school detentions, in order to clarify this.

Now that children are in upper Key Stage 2, a further sanction of an after school detention has been added to our behaviour policy. The aim of this is to encourage positive behaviour and we recognise that the vast majority of children will never have a detention. A detention has not been issued for over a year and I hope that this remains the case. However, the fact that this measure is being put in place will support children in their transition to secondary school. After further discussion with the school governors, the following has been agreed:

Why would an after school detention be given?

- Not completing home-learning tasks on 2 consecutive occasions.
- Being sent out of class twice in a week (5 school day period).
- Having name on the board with a tick three times in a week (5 school day period).
- Poor behaviour outside of school which impacts negatively on the reputation of the school.
- Intentional physical behaviour that harms another child.
- Using inappropriate or derogatory language.
- 2 red cards in a week or 4 yellow cards in a week.
- No PE kit for two consecutive lessons.

What would happen at an after school detention?

- There will be an adult to supervise the child.
- The child will be given work to complete which would be in addition to any home-learning or class tasks already set. This will not include the use of computers or the internet.
- The detention will last until 4.30pm.
- Parents will be given 24 hours' notice of a detention taking place, which would be on the next school day.
- If the child was due to attend an afterschool club on the evening when a detention is given, they will be unable to attend the club.

If a child is absent, the detention will be carried out when they return to school.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

*Clare Cunningham*

Headteacher