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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: Changes to school detentions as of September 2024

I am writing to inform you about some changes to our approach to detentions here at Kelvin Hall School. These changes are aimed at maintaining a positive and supportive environment for our students.

At Kelvin Hall, we consistently strive to promote outstanding behaviour and attitudes amongst our students. Whilst we expect our young people to embrace these values throughout their five-year journey with us, we also understand that students can make mistakes. In such instances, we believe in putting in place suitable measures, to provide students with the chance to reflect on their behaviour, and prevent the same behaviour from happening again.

After carefully reviewing feedback from our Parent Voice survey regarding student behaviour and the timing of behaviour sanctions during break times, we have made the following adjustments:

### 1. Yellow Detentions (15 minutes)

- Yellow detentions previously took place during break, these will now take place after school and will be for 15 minutes.
- This change ensures that students always have a break and chance to socialise during their morning in school

### 2. Amber Detentions (30 minutes)

- Amber detentions will continue to take place after school and will be for 30 minutes.

### 3. Red Detentions (1 hour)

- Red detentions will continue to take place after school and will be for 60 minutes.

### 4. Multiple detention slots per evening

- Unfortunately, some students may be issued multiple detentions due to their behaviour throughout the day. You will always receive a notification informing you of the date, time and length of each individual after-school detention.
- It is now possible for multiple detentions to be scheduled after school on the same day, meaning a student may stay up to an hour to complete their detentions.

Whilst we believe that these changes will contribute to a more effective and supportive disciplinary process, we also acknowledge that sometimes, a student may not be able to complete their detention due to circumstances out of their control. In such cases, the school will work with parents and carers to find a suitable alternative time for this sanction to take place.

We will continue to make sure that Kelvin Hall is a school that all students want to attend and we must make sure that the behaviour of a few students does not impact the school or the students learning.

Your support and cooperation are integral to the success of these changes, and we appreciate your ongoing commitment to the well-being and development of our students.



I appreciate that these changes are only relevant to a small proportion of our school population. If you have questions regarding these changes or if you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to email me at [shawj@thrivetrust.uk](mailto:shawj@thrivetrust.uk).

Yours sincerely,



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