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Dear Parent/Carer

Ready to Learn

I am writing to inform you about a new development to our behaviour policy, known as *Ready to Learn*. This is a strategy which has at its heart a drive to improve the quality of learning for all our students and will ensure that your child is able to make excellent progress at Axe Valley Academy.

Most of our students identify that poor behaviour is rare but can sometimes disrupt student learning. At Axe Valley we are clear that we will not allow the behaviour of a minority of students to have a detrimental impact on the quality of learning for others.

In the classroom the *Ready to Learn* strategy gives clear expectations for teachers and students and although it does not represent a change in our values and expectations it does enable decisive action to be taken to ensure that these expectations can be consistently and rigorously applied.

The Ready to Learn approach:-

- enables teachers to deliver engaging and creative lessons, experiment and take risks without concern for behavioural interruptions as barriers,
- eliminates disruptive behaviour so that there is a culture of achievement, ambition and learning where no learning time is wasted,
- provides clarity for staff and students about acceptable behaviour for learning,
- encourages students to take responsibility for their own actions.

From September, the teacher will give *one warning* to any student who is not meeting the *Ready to Learn* expectations in the classroom. If this is repeated, he/she will be sent to work in the Ready to Learn room. The student will remain in this room for their learning for one full 5 period teaching day. Parents/Carers will be informed of the isolation by a member of the Ready to Learn team on the day of the isolation and facilitate a restorative conversation so that the issue can be resolved to support future learning.

Further information is available on the website. Ultimately we strive to continuously improve all standards at Axe Valley and by ensuring a consistent approach to the management of poor behaviour for learning of a minority we can ensure the students at Axe Valley Academy have every opportunity to experience excellent undisturbed teaching and learning and accelerate their progress. We are committed to ensuring the very best standards of teaching and learning in every classroom every day.

If you would like to discuss this further please don't hesitate in contacting either myself, Mrs Jenkins or Mr Brook, who will happily, answers your questions.

Yours sincerely

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