



Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2017

Dear Parents,

## Rewards and Behaviour Policy Update October 2017

Last week during house assemblies I informed students about the changes to our 'Rewards and Behaviour Policy'. We have adapted the policy due to the fact that we have been made aware about increasing anti-social behaviour in the community by a small yet significant minority of young people. Not all of these are Tarleton Academy students, however, we have now update our policy to ensure that there are consequences in school for any Tarleton Academy students who are involved. The changes to the policy therefore make it clear to students and parents that we will take action to sanction poor behaviour outside of school when it is appropriate to do so.

During the assembly I discussed with students the reasons for these changes outlined above, what types of behaviour are classed as anti-social, clarified our expectations as a school and asked for their support in ensuring that we work together to make sure that anti-social and risk taking behaviour are not accepted within our school and wider community.

The updated section of the Rewards and Behaviour Policy is shown below:

*'The power to discipline: This applies to student behaviour in school and outside school. The measures contained within this policy can therefore include measures to regulate the conduct of students when they are not on the premises and are not under the control or charge of a member of school staff. This includes behaviour that is deemed to bring the school into disrepute away from the school site or outside school hours. This can include circumstances when students are travelling to and from school, on work experience, on college placements, on school trips and any other occasion when students are not on the school premises but are under the reasonable charge of the school or can be connected to school, for example whilst wearing school uniform or broadcasting membership of the school on social media or are clearly identifiable as Tarleton Academy students.'*

I am fully aware that the vast majority of our young people behave in an acceptable manner, both inside and outside school, and I am very proud to work with such a fantastic community of young people.

As parents and members of our wider community please do not hesitate to inform us if you believe there are issues that we need to be made aware of. We very much appreciate your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of School

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