



# THE DE LA SALLE ACADEMY



Ref: Letter to Parents 4  
19<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parent / Guardians,

As we come to the end of 2018 and the first term, may I take this opportunity to bring you some updates on the academy.

Attendance continues to improve with the help of yourselves, alongside this, punctuality is also improving. However, this is an area we need your support with. Too many boys still arrive late to school, in particular boys that are dropped off in cars. As a reminder, boys should be in school for 8.25am in order to allow them to organise themselves and visit lockers ready to line up at 8.30am. Those that arrive after this time are late for school. Please help us in improving punctuality further by giving yourself 5 minutes extra in the morning to get your son to school.

In the New Year, we will be launching restorative practice. A number of staff have already been trained and some practices have been introduced over this past half term. On January 7<sup>th</sup>, all staff will be fully trained. This will mean you should see some differences to the way we approach consequences in the academy. The behaviour policy is being updated in light of these changes. Please take some time to have a look at our website to get a fuller understanding of what is involved with restorative practice.

As the weather has become cold, a number of boys have asked how to get a locker. If you wish to rent a locker, please visit [www.ILSSchools.co.uk](http://www.ILSSchools.co.uk). Getting your son into the habit of full independence with a locker will help him as he moves through the school towards his GCSEs.

Throughout this term, a number of activities have taken place which has built upon last year. The introduction of enrichment has proved popular with the boys with large numbers staying behind to gain a new experience. Activities change from term to term, so please have a look at the website to see what activities are being offered after Christmas.

We look forward to 2019 with renewed vigour and to welcoming your son back to school on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 8.25am.**

Finally, can I thank you for your continued support in the development of the academy and wish yourselves and your family a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Yours sincerely

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