

Our Ref: KH/PPH/DetentionAmendments  
3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024



Barr Beacon School  
[www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk](http://www.barrbeaconschool.co.uk)

### Detention Amendments

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you of a revision to our detention system at Barr Beacon School, which will take effect from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024.

This adjustment aims to enhance the efficiency and fairness of our disciplinary procedures, ensuring a consistent approach to behaviour management across the school. As part of these changes, we will be promoting restorative conversations between staff and pupils to understand the reasons behind the behaviour and collaboratively find solutions to prevent future occurrences.

Pupils will continue to receive a 24-hour notice for detentions, this ensures that you have adequate time to make necessary arrangements. Pupils will be issued with a detention sticker which will be in their planner. The sticker will indicate the length of the detention, the teacher who has set the detention and the location of the detention.

There is a detentions flow chart attached to this letter which outlines how the detention will be issued, how the pupil attends the detention and the consequence for the pupil if they fail to attend the detention.

The Department for Education state that detentions can be used as a disciplinary measure in schools as an approach to a broader effort to create a positive school culture with highest expectations for behaviour. This revised system will not only maintain the high standards of behaviour we expect at Barr Beacon School but also support pupils in understanding the consequences of their actions more clearly.

If you have any questions, please contact [postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk](mailto:postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk)

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Hibbs  
Headteacher



Barr Beacon School  
Old Hall Lane  
Aldridge, Walsall  
West Midlands  
WS9 0RF



**Matrix**  
Academy Trust  
EDUCATION WITHOUT EXCEPTION

0121 366 6600



Barr Beacon School



@barrbeacon.school



[postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk](mailto:postbox@barrbeaconschool.co.uk)



### 20-minute Class Teacher Detention

- **Issuing:** 20-minute detention sticker placed in planner with date and location of the detention.
- **Attending the detention:** Pupil and parents/carers to check planner every day for detentions. Pupil to make their own way to the location stated on the sticker after school.
- **Failure to attend:** Detention will be escalated to a 40-minute after school detention, set by the teacher in the next lesson.

### 40-minute Class Teacher Detention

- **Issuing:** 40-minute detention sticker placed in planner with date and location of the detention.
- **Attending the detention:** Pupil and parents/carers to check planner every day for detentions. Pupil to make their own way to the location stated on the sticker after school.
- **Failure to attend:** Detention will be escalated to a 60-minute after school detention, set by the Director of Learning.

### 60-minute Head of House Detention

- **Issuing:** Head of House to call home and notify parents the date of the detention. 60-minute detention sticker placed in planner with date and location of the detention.
- **Attending the detention:** Pupil and parents/carers to check planner every day for detentions. Pupil to make their own way to the location stated on the sticker after school.
- **Failure to attend:** Head of House to refer to Mr P Phipps and Mr D Adams.

### 60-minute Director or Heads of Department Detention

- **Issuing:** 60-minute detention sticker placed in planner with date and location of the detention.
- **Attending the detention:** Pupil and parents/carers to check planner every day for detentions. Pupil to make their own way to the location stated on the sticker after school.
- **Failure to attend:** Head of House will pick up pupil and issue a 60-minute detention. Head of House will call parents/carers to discuss missed detentions and inform them of the date of detention.

### Leadership Refocus and Detention

A day in refocus followed by a 60-minute leadership detention resulting in pupil leaving at 4.15pm.  
A letter will be sent home, and phone call home made.

