



Eden Girls

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Dear Parents/Carers

Assalaamu Alaikum – ‘Peace be upon you’

Firstly, a sincere thank you for your continuing support for the school as parents. Without all your hard work and endeavour on behalf of your daughters we would not be able to maintain the highest standards of progress, attendance and behaviour.

With this in mind we would like your support on a matter that is of increasing concern to the school. Over the course of the winter months more and more students have been arriving late to school each morning. Last week there were a significant number of late marks in morning registers, with arrival times ranging from 8:16 – 8:30am. Obviously, punctuality will be very important to the students later in life: we expect all our students to arrive on time every day.

We have, therefore, reviewed the current situation and feel it is necessary to ‘tighten up’ our expectations and ways of doing things. From 4th January when the girls return to school, **anyone arriving at the student gate after 8.12am will receive a late mark**. This is to ensure that the students have time to walk around the school building (this takes 3 minutes at a reasonable pace) and to join their form when they line up for registration and before the students doors are locked at 8.15am.

Just to clarify – we are not starting school earlier but simply implementing measures to better manage the arrival of the students at the school building, on time.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter. We are aware that, during the winter months cars sometimes freeze up overnight and the traffic can be heavier. Please, therefore, allow a few extra minutes of travelling time. Your daughter’s education is our priority, it is important that all students arrive to school on time to get the best education we can offer them.

Yours faithfully

Linda Thompson