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Dear Parent/Carer

Over the last few weeks, we have seen an increasing number of students arriving late to school, so I wanted to send a reminder of the expectations. We appreciate that the roadworks around school have caused some issues, but now the new lighting system is up and running at the end of Beech Avenue, this should no longer be a problem and students can plan their journeys appropriately.

All students are expected to be on the school site by 8.25am and ready to go to Period 1 for an 8.30am start. We currently have a large number arriving shortly after 8.30am which leads to disruption at the start of that lesson, affecting the learning experience of those classes. There are also too many students arriving after 8.35am and these then incur late marks which can lead to sanctions being imposed.

As a school we are also doing our upmost to keep our community safe. We have teams of staff at the entrances to school each day who check on the student's welfare as they arrive and ensure that hand sanitisation takes place. For those students that arrive outside of the stipulated times, we become reliant on the fact that they also follow the same procedures themselves so are unable to guarantee that this is taking place.

We would be grateful if you could help to reiterate the importance of arriving to school by 8.25am and working together, hopefully we will see an improvement in this situation. As most are only a few minutes late it will only need a slight change to the travel plans.

Yours faithfully

Mr Derrick

Attendance & Transition Lead



