## Ysgol Harri Tudur Henry Tudor School

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Learners First Dysgwyr yng Nghyntaf

Dear Parent/Guardian/Carer,

In accordance with Welsh Assembly Government guidance, Ysgol Harri Tudur / Henry Tudor School makes use of detentions in order to maintain high standards with regard to pupil conduct in and around the school. We are refining our system of detentions with a view of assisting in the clarity and effectiveness of the process.

We currently have a split detention system that occurs twice daily. Very often pupils come to a detention not always remembering why they are in detention or indeed fail to turn up. This dilutes our restorative approach of making situations 'right' again and thus improving learners' attitude to learning.

In order to improve the efficiency of our detentions, we will be introducing a new daily detention system, which will be run by a senior member of staff each day and at the end of every day. The detention will be for twenty minutes in duration, and in that time the pupil will have a restorative conversation about the reason for the detention, and will also complete some meaningful learning.

In order to improve the effectiveness, we ask for parents/guardian/carers assistance and support for learners to stay behind in order to do their detention the following day issue. Parents/guardian/carers will be notified of the detention via our ClassCharts system on the day of issue. The timings of the detentions are as follows;

- Year 9, 10, 11 2.45 until 3.05pm
- Year 7 & 8 3.15 until 3.35pm

Please be assured that whilst we are keen to improve on our system of detentions, it is not our intention to rely any more or any less heavily on this system. We wish to guide and support our youngsters in a restorative way, and only use detentions as one of many approaches available to us.

Kind Regards

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