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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. I have been impressed by the engagement in learning and positive attitudes shown by the vast majority of our pupils on their return to the academy following the Christmas break.

I wanted to remind all pupils and parents of our expectations for learning. These are based around our values of excellence, resilience and aspiration (ERA). Please see below a reminder of the Montsaye Academy expectations so that you can support us in the drive for excellence, resilience and aspiration for every one of our pupils. We are committed to creating ERA learners and ensure the following things are in place and adhered to:

- 1. Mobile Phones:** At Montsaye, we think face to face conversations are important. We also value the focus we get in lessons when phones are not distracting us. As such, mobile phones and headphones are not allowed to be used between the hours of 8:40am – 3pm. If they are seen, they will be confiscated.
- 2. Focused Classrooms:** It is important that all learners are able to work in a room that is focused, and we know that if things are quiet, you get the chance to settle and produce great work from the moment you step into the classroom. There will be specific times in lesson when talk is encouraged, but you should enter and leave the room quietly, and never speak when the teacher is talking.
- 3. Equipment:** Your equipment is your toolkit for successful learning. You need to ensure that you are equipped for lessons with your pencil case, your DEAR book and any equipment for specific lessons such as: PE, food or maths. This will be checked each day during form time.
- 4. Uniform:** It is important to be ready to learn in the correct uniform; your uniform makes you part of our community. Fantastic uniform shows a fantastic attitude. If you are not in the correct uniform, then you will be sent to the Progress Leader's office to borrow some for that day. Hoodies are not allowed in school and will be confiscated.
- 5. Environment:** The environment that we learn in makes a difference. You can play your part in keeping it tidy by making sure you pick up litter (even if it's not yours!), by respecting equipment and furniture, and by walking calmly about the corridors to respect others around you.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's Progress Leader. I thank you for your support to ensure that our focus remains on learning for all our pupils.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Gabbi
Principal