



**Learning Expectations
Information for Parents**

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Expectations for Learning at Appleton Academy

Positive behaviour for learning and respect for our community are essential to your child's success at Appleton Academy.

The expectations for learning system is based on the assumption that students who 'get it right' are rewarded, that students should be given the option to improve and that there are harsher consequences for those that don't.

Rewards

- At Appleton Academy we promote a sense of community and reward good behaviour. Below is the rewards structure, which can also be found in the student planner:

	Number of Points (Excellence minus behaviour)	Reward	Reward Option
Bronze	1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Bronze Certificate and badge•Website and newsletter mention•Phone call home (HOY)•Assembly recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cinema experience• Hot drink• Goody bag (snack)• Q Buster (one week)
Silver	2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Silver certificate and badge,•Website and newsletter mention•Phone call home (SLT)•Assembly recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cinema experience• Extended lunch (& friend)• Goody bag (snack and items)• Helping Mrs Parr in the library• Non-uniform pass• Q Buster (one week & friend)
Gold	3000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Gold certificate and badge,•Website and newsletter mention•Phone call home from the Principal/ Vice Principal•Assembly recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cinema experience (& friend, discretionary)• Non-uniform pass• Rewards trip• Early leave on Friday• Sporting afternoon

- Students can earn excellence stamps. This is in the form of a coloured star that you will see in their planner and each of these stars is then converted into points that are recorded each week. Students work towards rewards (chosen by the students themselves), certificates and a bronze, silver and gold badge in recognition of their ongoing positive behaviour within school.
- Points are also rewarded for good attendance and for Head of Year and Senior Leader commendations. You can find a list of these in the planner.

Classroom Learning Expectations

There is a separate set of expectations for the way that students conduct themselves when learning in the classroom and for the corridor in recognition of the different expectations.

The 'Classroom Learning' expectations operate on a traffic light system where green represents expected behaviour and red is for behaviour that is not acceptable and potentially has not only a detrimental on your child's learning but also that of other students. Students who are on amber are able, through correcting any behaviour that is not at expectation can go back to green, this supports students making positive changes without consequences.

The Classroom Learning expectations are available in the student planner and outlined below:

Pupils are ready to learn and are meeting expectations by:

- Entering the classroom according to expectations, removing outdoor clothing, putting planners on desk and being prepared for learning.
- Placing electronic equipment in bags.
- Following teachers' instructions and beginning tasks as soon as asked
- Working quietly, focussing on tasks and producing excellent quality work

Poor behaviour is recorded daily, both in the planner and on our system and points are allocated according to the severity of the behaviour.

Behaviour points will also be given for students who are in incorrect uniform and will not borrow spares provided by the Academy.

Detentions

Any student who receives a 'red' during pd1 or pd2 will have a same day after-school detention, of 40 minutes, Monday to Friday. Students who receive red during pd3 will be in detention the following evening.

Non-attendance, refusal, two incidents of red in any one day, or five in a week, will result in a Senior Leadership detention of 1 hour. Detentions start at 3.30pm and are conducted in silence. Students are requested to do homework or read. Students who cannot maintain these expectations will be considered to have failed and will repeat their detention the next day as well as attend supervised lunch.

We will text parents on the day of detentions so that you are made aware if your child is involved.

Detentions are non- negotiable.

As all students have the opportunity to improve their behaviour during each lesson, you can be assured that if your child has received a detention that their behaviour has been unacceptable. Please support your child's education. Do not encourage your child to refuse to attend attendance as the sanction will stand and additional sanctions are awarded for non-attendance.

In most cases detentions will take place on the day the behaviour is exhibited. Guidance direct from the Department for Education states that 'schools can punish pupils if they behave badly' and that 'schools don't have to give parents notice of after-school detentions or tell them why a detention has been given.

Academy Visits

If you would like to see the academy during the school day you can arrange a visit where you can come and see the school "in action." These are by appointment only.

If you would like to take up this opportunity, please email info@appletonacademy.co.uk and we will be in touch to arrange a suitable time.