

19th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to share what a positive and purposeful start to the school year our students have made. The atmosphere around the school has been vibrant, respectful, and focused, and it's clear that our students have returned with enthusiasm and a strong commitment to learning.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to you all for your continued support—particularly in ensuring your child is in the correct uniform and helping us to maintain the high standards we set as a school community. These seemingly small details play a crucial role in creating a sense of pride and unity among our students, and we are grateful for your cooperation.

We've had an excellent response to the launch of Class Charts, and I'm pleased to report that feedback from students, parents, and staff has been overwhelmingly positive. It has been wonderful to see so many of our young people being recognised and rewarded daily for displaying our school values. This new system is already strengthening our culture of celebration and positive behaviour.

One of the highlights of my week has been #ProudFriday, where I've had the absolute pleasure of celebrating with a number of our Key Stage 3 students over hot chocolate and donuts. Hearing their stories of achievement has been both inspiring and affirming of the excellent work happening in our school.

I look forward to meeting with more of our school community over the coming weeks, particularly our Key Stage 4 and 5 students.

Finally, please see overleaf for some important messages from Mr Tillman.

Yours sincerely



Mrs K Bradley-Smith
Interim Principal

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Attendance and belonging

Attending school regularly is the best thing any family can do to support their child's success in education. We want all children to feel like they belong at Campion – we believe they do. We ask that students aim for no more than six days absence in an academic year. We would always look to work in partnership with families and provide support to prevent school attendance becoming a challenge for your child – please do contact the attendance team (Attendance@campionschool.org.uk) or your child's Head of Year if you need support. The [attendance policy](#) is on our website.

ClassCharts

Thank you to families who have signed up to Class Charts – nearly three quarters of you are already benefiting from access to the system. It is lovely to see staff recognising the excellent choices your children are making about their learning, conduct, and character by awarding them green points.

Part of any school's approach to supporting and challenging students to make good choices about their education also includes detentions as a consequence. We run 10-minute breaktime and 15-minute lunchtime detentions that, if issued, students are expected to attend. There is time to get food and go to the toilet after the detention. Where students do not attend these short in-the-school-day detentions we will issue 45-minute after school detentions.

Parents/carers and students can see if detentions are issued through ClassCharts the day before. Students are also reminded by school staff during the day – however it does remain the student's responsibility to attend.

Please look out on ClassCharts for subject badges that your children will be awarded when they hit threshold for the number of green points awarded in subject lessons.

- Bronze Badge – 30 points in a subject lesson
- Silver badge - 75 points in a subject lesson
- Gold badge – 150 points in a subject lesson
- Blue Champion badge – 300 points in a subject lesson

We will be moving more aspects of school life over to ClassCharts in coming months so if you are not yet set up, please use the log in code sent to you previously or alternatively contact classcharts@campionschool.org.uk for help and support.

Uniform

Thank you to families for ensuring their children come to school well presented each day. Uniform is important for instilling a sense of belonging and community at school. To help clarify *all things* uniform you can find our uniform policy for years 7-11 on the website ([Uniform Policy Year 7-11](#)). Sixth form have a dress code they are expected to adhere to. Almost all children are making excellent decision about their uniform every day. We would like to clarify the following:

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- Blazers are a compulsory item of uniform and must be worn at all times unless a member of staff has given permission in a lesson for it to be removed.
- If students are warm in a lesson they will be first asked to remove the school jumper, if they are wearing one, before removing the blazer.
- Jewellery beyond one pair of stud earring and a watch (not a smart watch) must not be worn and, if seen, will be confiscated by staff.
- Trainers, particularly branded footwear e.g. Nikes, are not school shoes and must not be worn to school
- Students are not permitted to wear hoodies at any time. Please ensure your child wears a coat over their blazer as the weather starts to turn colder.

Confidential reporting

We are really keen that your children feel confident to report to school anything that makes them feel unsafe or worried. Nothing is too small a concern to raise. Your child's form tutor is the best first point of contact.

In addition, we are setting up a confidential online reporting link and weekly drop in sessions – we will share information with your children next week about these initiatives.

Behaviour Policy

Thank you all for your feedback before the summer as we evaluated and developed the behaviour policy. The [behaviour policy](#) is available on the website. Please do feel free to contact us if you have further comments or feedback. This policy is reviewed annually and we would always want to include your voice in revisions and developments each year. If you have comments regarding the behaviour policy please contact p.tillman@campionschool.org.uk.

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