

27th November 2023

Dear parent/guardians,

At Bacon's College we expect students to conduct themselves to the same high standards outside of school as they do inside of the school grounds. I make this clear to all prospective parents at open events. The vast majority of our students conduct themselves well and represent the school in an extremely positive light. However, a small minority of students are often far too loud, kick footballs around the cars of local residents, congregate in large groups or generally behave in an antisocial manner.

As a school we prioritise student safety and work closely with Transport for London and the Police to achieve this. Pupils have been spoken to on numerous occasions about leaving the local area immediately by getting the first suitable, available bus or train. Unfortunately, some students are still in the local area well over one hour after the school day has ended. As we have not seen a rapid enough improvement, we will be amending our behaviour policy and any student who is seen within the local area **40 minutes** after the school day without a valid reason, will be issued with an isolation referral the next school day.

I ask that you speak to your child about this important change and make clear the consequences, should they not comply with these expectations.

If improvement is not seen or if there are any serious incidents of disturbance in the local area, then I may be minded to suspend offending students for defiant behaviour or bringing the school into disrepute. We have worked extremely hard to improve the reputation of the school in the local community, and I will not tolerate this being undermined in any way.

I thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,



James Wilson
Principal