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Dear Parents/Carers

At Crestwood, the safety and well-being of our students is our highest priority. We are writing to inform you of important updates to our safeguarding and behaviour protocols, designed to ensure continuous supervision for all students throughout the school day. We pride ourselves on the following behaviour principles, and believe the policy changes outlined below will help drive these further:

- **Responsible:** Encouraging students to take ownership of their actions and learning.
- **Respectful:** Fostering a culture of mutual respect among students, staff, and the wider community.
- **Resilience:** Developing the ability to overcome challenges and persist in the face of difficulties.
- **Safe:** Ensuring a secure and supportive environment where all students can thrive.

The fundamental principle guiding these changes is simple: **It is a concern to have students unsupervised on the school premises, and as a result, we need to limit the movement of students as much as possible.**

We are permanently removing all physical exit cards. This change ensures that any student who leaves a classroom is immediately accounted for and supervised.

- **Regulation Breaks:** If your child requires a regulation break during a lesson, a dedicated member of staff will **supervise** your child for the duration of their break.
- **Toilet/Medical Exits:** For necessary toilet or medical exits, the teacher will alert a member of staff, and your child will be **escorted** to and from the required location.

We believe these clear and consistent procedures will provide a safer, more structured learning environment for everyone. We also believe that this will provide your child with invaluable learning experiences in the classroom, which will not be disrupted through lost learning hours spent outside of the classroom. Our overall goal is to support your child to have the best educational experience possible through being in their lessons and learning with subject specialists. This is to ensure that all students have equal opportunities for success.

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We appreciate your support as we implement these policy changes. Working together, we can ensure that our students are prepared for a bright and promising future. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at joshua.buckingham@crestwood.hants.sch.uk or steve.topazio@crestwood.hants.sch.uk. If your child has an EHCP and accesses Inclusion Support for a regulation break, and you would like to discuss any concerns you may have about these changes, please contact hollie.sutherland@crestwood.hants.sch.uk, who will reply to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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