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'The school's work to promote pupils' personal development and welfare is outstanding'. (Ofsted)

Monday 11th March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to update you with regards to the toilet shutters that were fitted over the half term break. The shutters have not been used yet as we wanted to inform parents and students about them before they become operational.

At Hawkley Hall High School, each year group has their own designated toilet block which will remain open before school starts and during engagement period up until 9.10am. The year group toilet blocks will still be open throughout break (11.10am – 11.30am) and during lunchtime (1.30pm -2.00pm) along with after school from 3.00pm. This is no change from the current procedures. During break and lunch, staff supervise toilet areas in the same way we supervise other zones around school such as the canteens, outdoor areas and MUGAs. With the shutters in place, we can keep some toilets blocks fully open during the whole of the day and close the others during lesson time only.

In the interest of full transparency, I want to be very clear as to the reasons we are taking this action. Too much learning time is lost by some students who spend a long time in the toilet area when they are given permission to go by their teacher. Minimising the number of toilet facilities that are open during lesson time will allow us to encourage students to return to learning when they are finished using the facilities. This will also allow a greater monitoring of the facilities that remain open to ensure they always function effectively.

We appreciate that there will be occasions when your child will need to go to the toilet during lessons. If this is the case, your child will be issued with a pass from their teacher, and we will monitor this. If this becomes a regular occurrence, we may discuss our concerns with you. Obviously, if a student has a medical pass, then there is no change to the current position. They should continue to use them in the same way they do now.

May I ask for your support in encouraging your child to use the toilets at appropriate times during the day to ensure that it does not impact on their learning during lessons.

May I please reiterate that **toilet facilities are always available throughout the school day.** We will inform your child of these blocks through assemblies so that they know where to go.

Kind regards,

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