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Dear Blaise Families,

We continue to be blown away by the hard work and dedication of your children and are extremely proud of the tenacity that they demonstrate every day at school. We want to ensure that every parent and carer has complete clarity over why we do what we do here at Blaise High School and as such I will write a series of weekly letters outlining our core routines and why we have them in place. These letters will be supported by videos online showing these routines in action. The letters will broadly follow the structure of the school day.

## **Morning Routines**

The gates for students open at 8:20am. We keep the car park gates shut for parents because it is unsafe for children and cars to enter at the same time. Access is only available for students of the resource base who are dropped off. All students are met at the gate by myself, Mr Harvey and Mr Killigrew. Every student is greeted with "Good Morning" This is so that the students can start the day positively, be greeted with a smile, and we can check they are ok. We have a member of staff on hand to rectify any missing uniform before the student goes out into the courtyard. This means students aren't singled out at line up when they are missing any uniform. We will always do everything we can to give the right piece of uniform to a student. We expect everyone in lessons to be wearing the right uniform.

This process at the gate reduces barriers for students to access lessons, means we can check on their welfare and wellbeing first thing in the morning and also allows parents the opportunity to ask us questions at the gate. Consistency of routine provides safety and security to all of our students, especially those with additional needs.

The letter next week will focus on line ups and our tutor time reading programme.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N Nabarro Headteacher

