

**RIGHT TO DISCIPLINE
EDUCATION AND INSPECTIONS ACT 2006**

The school has a statutory 'right to discipline' which makes it lawful for a disciplinary measure e.g. a detention to be imposed on a student where his / her conduct falls short of a reasonable expectation or they fail to follow a rule or instruction. A student does not have to be on the premises in order to attract a disciplinary measure, or under the lawful control of a member of staff, but the school does have to be reasonable.

It is lawful to hold detentions outside the normal school hours. A student's parents have to be given at least 24 hours notice in writing that a detention is due to take place, but not if the detention occurs in lunch or morning break time.

Confiscation of Property

Inappropriate items can be confiscated if warnings are given. The item should be returned within a reasonable time span (e.g. at the end of the day) unless it is considered to be of danger to the student or other students. For example, a mobile phone should be returned at the end of the day, unless the student is taking inappropriate images, possibly of other students.