

Fatigue Guidelines (15/08/03)

Why is a fatigue given?

A fatigue may be given for inappropriate behaviours that the boy understands are wrong but deliberately acts inappropriately anyway.

Who should give a fatigue?

Fatigues should only be given after consultation with the boy's class teacher. This will give more consistency to the process

Consequences for Fatigues

1. Following each fatigue a reflective exercise that reflects on what led up to the incident, the incident itself (and why the behaviour was inappropriate – including the effect the incident had on others) and what would have been an appropriate way to act if the situation should arise again
2. A letter is sent home stating what the fatigue was for and also how many fatigues the child has had for the term
3. Once a boy receives a second fatigue (in a term) the boy's family should be contacted (by phone if possible) by the boy's teacher and the consequences of another fatigue explained.
4. Once a boy receives his third fatigue (in a term) a meeting will be held as soon as possible between the family and the Headmaster to discuss the consequences. Depending on the severity of the behaviour consequence could range from a stand-down from one or two events to expulsion.
5. At the beginning of each term, each boy starts with clean slate (i.e. zero fatigues)

How do we make the system fair for both day boys and boarders?

- Makes sure that discussion between relevant parties takes place before a fatigue is given
- Be aware that consequences other than fatigues can be given in certain instances especially out of 'normal' school hours.