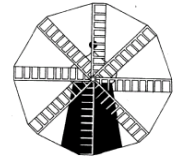


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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to update you in regard to the reward systems that we will be using in school this year. Following discussions with staff, we would like to make some small changes to the rewards we currently use in an attempt to make them more meaningful for the children.

We will be continuing to use house points and class dojo points which will be linked to those every day positive behaviours that we expect to see the children demonstrate in school (e.g. working hard, good learning attitudes, being polite, kind, showing our school values, etc.).

In addition to this we have made some changes to our bronze, silver and gold awards. Last year, the children achieved these awards by gaining stickers for hard work. We would like to make these more meaningful for the children by changing to a merit system. The children will need to gain five merits for a bronze award, then another five for silver and finally a further five for a gold award. Children will be able to record on a merit card what they have gained the merits for and these will be given to those children who are going "over and above" the expectations. When a child has gained their award, the merit card will be sent home with them so that you can see what they have gained their award for.

We will hold a special celebration assembly at the end of each half term where we will present any bronze, silver or gold awards that have been earned that term. Parents of those children who have gained an award will be invited to join us at that assembly.

If you have any further questions or if you wish further clarification, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J M Bentley
Head teacher

