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Dear Parents and Carers,

19th January 2017

We would like to make you aware of a change to our behaviour policy and processes after a review of current practice. Changes will come in to effect from Monday 23rd January 2017.

As you are aware, we have a behaviour system which involves children moving up and down a zone board, aiming towards gold by the end of the day. If children do not do the right thing after a warning, they may be moved down, sometimes as far as red. We then give every child the opportunity to turn their behaviours around and they may well end up on silver or gold by the end of the day, which is super. However, parents may not be aware of the behaviours which have not been so positive throughout the day.

We are introducing a 'red text' system whereby children, who during the course of the day reach red more than once, will have a text sent home to alert parents to poor learning behaviours. The text will read: **'Just to let you know that XXX has been on red at least twice today. Please contact his/her classteacher for more details'**. How parents contact the teacher is up to them (pop in before or after school or a phone call to the office) but teachers will be ready to share the behaviours which have caused the child to move to red.

We will continue to send a text to a class when they have all reached 'gold' (please be aware that sometimes we will send this text to the **majority** of a class). It is theoretically possible therefore that parents receive a 'red text' but also a 'gold text' as their child has been down to red twice but successfully reached gold by the end of the day!

We are sure you will agree that if a parent learns their child is on gold or silver at the end of the day but has no idea of the journey they have had to get there, it can give a false impression.

We will of course, celebrate with the child the gold achievement no matter how their day looked and the half termly rewards for regular gold days will be maintained!

We would really encourage parents to support us in maintaining good classroom learning behaviours, so if *you* receive a red text, please contact the school for more information.

Many thanks

Mrs T Potter
Executive Headteacher

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