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Dear Parents/Carers,

Please find below information about our Behaviour Policy at Newton Road School. This will give you a clear overview of; the expectations of behaviour, the rules and routines that children follow and the rewards and sanctions that we use at Newton Road to ensure the best possible learning environment for your child.

Our Approach

At Newton Road School we approach all areas of school life with the vision of 'Dream, Believe, Achieve'. This approach ensures that our children are given the opportunity to **DREAM** of a bright future, **BELIEVE** in themselves, and **ACHIEVE** their highest potential in school and throughout their life.

School Rules

- We are **READY** to learn – we arrive at school on time, we have our equipment ready and we show that we are listening.
- We are **RESPECTFUL** – we listen when others speak and we respect the property of our friends and the school.
- We are **SAFE** – we move around school in a safe manner, we follow instructions to keep ourselves safe, we use equipment safely and we stay safe online.

Rewards and Recognition

When children go 'Above and Beyond' the school's expectations they will be recognised and rewarded in the following ways:

- Recognition boards - Boards around the school with notes recognising where a child has gone 'above and beyond' the school's expectations.
- Praise notes home
- Praise phone call home
- Classy Classmate - Each week a school PRIDE Value is chosen and the children in the class are given a cube and they give this cube to their classy classmate of the week.

- Principal/Senior Leadership Praise
- Lunch Time Legends - Lunch time legends are rewarded for showing our school rules and values at lunchtime.

Values

Alongside this, our Values embody the behaviours and attitudes that we believe are most important to the development and achievement of our wonderful children:

P – Positivity

R – Respect

I – Integrity

D – Determination

E – Excellence

Our values are the 'language' of our school and are referred to regularly throughout the school day. When a child shows our school values they will be awarded with Forest Points which are then collected weekly by teachers and are rewarded with certificates and pin badges.

Reflection and Consequences

As a school we use a 'restorative' approach to behaviour which give children the opportunity to reflect on their choices and behaviour and consider ways to move forward and improve in the future.

Redirection – acknowledgement or a private word about our expectations.

Reminder – a reminder about our school rules from an adult.

Reemphasis – a clear verbal reminder of the school rules and expectations.

Calming Time – either time with an additional adult or with another class.

Repair – a restorative conversation with the child to discuss the behaviour and how best to improve in the future.

Consequences – parents will be informed if a restorative conversation has taken place and children will be expected to catch up on any work missed in their own time.

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If there are a number of restorative conversations in a short period of time, parents will be asked to come in to school to meet with the child's teacher and a member of the Senior Leadership Team. In the meeting we will discuss how to best support your child to make more positive choices in school.

Contacting Parents

With the current situation and following government guidance, parents are not able to discuss matters concerning their child with their teacher at the beginning and end of the day. With this in mind, we will always do our utmost to contact you by telephone, as soon as possible, should there have been an incident at school which requires us to do so. Please be aware that this might not happen as quickly as previously. Teachers will need to now make a number of calls to parents which take up a great deal more time than catching them quickly at the end of the school day.

If you need to contact your child's teacher please call the school office on **01933 353761**, or email the school office on office@newtonroadschool.co.uk. The office staff will pass on any messages, or ask your child's teacher to speak to you.

If you have any questions about this letter or the content within it, please do not hesitate to contact the school and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours Sincerely,



Lucy Coleman

Assistant Principal