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Dear Parents,

RE: Maths Awards Scheme

We are introducing a new maths awards system after half-term to encourage the children to learn their multiplication and division facts accurately, speedily and confidently. As they move through the awards system there are further challenges to extend the application of this important skill. The New National Curriculum states that all children should know their times tables to 12 by the end of Year 4. We are hoping this new system will support this endeavour.

The children will work through their times tables in the following order for the awards: 1x, 10x, 2x, 5x, 3x, 4x, 8x, 6x, 7x, 9x, 11x and then 12x. Starting at 1x, they will learn a times table and be tested on these in class. Once they have answered all of them correct twice in a row, they will be able to move onto the next times table. This is similar to the system which the children have used before. As they pass the different times tables they then become eligible for the awards. The awards are tested at the end of each half term. This means that the children need to keep learning and rehearsing their times tables so they can answer the mixture of questions.

The awards are as follows -

Table with 2 columns: Award Name and Description. Rows include Bronze Award, Silver Award, and Gold Award with their respective criteria.

If the children are unsuccessful in achieving their Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards, this will not stop them moving onto the next times table if they successfully pass them in class. They will, however, be expected to continue to practise the times tables they need to know to pass the award and have another go next time.

After they have successfully learnt up to the 12x tables they then move further into the awards system starting with the 100 Club.





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As this is a new system we are going to give the children an opportunity to practice over half term and have a go at the awards for the first time straight after the holiday. Therefore, the children need to practise the 1x, 10x, 2x and 5x tables in order to take the Bronze Award. The next opportunity to have a go will be in December at the end of term.

Yours sincerely,

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KS2 Leader

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Maths Leader

