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Our Five Important Words

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last year, we introduced into the school our 'Five Important Words' and I wrote to parents/carers at the time to explain that these words were linked to the characteristics of learning that we would like all the children in our school to understand and be trying to achieve by the end of Year 2, as a good foundation for the next steps in their learning journey. Our words are:

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We colour coded them for the visual learners among us (me included!) and for each word, attached an animal, again to help us remember the name of the quality and what that looks like in the classroom. This information is included on a handout with this letter, so you can hopefully talk with your children about the words at home.

The reason for my letter today was just to remind Year 1 and 2 parents/carers and introduce this to our new Reception families. In Reception, children will just see the visual cues on display and they may sometimes talk about the words. In Years 1 and 2, children may come home with a sticker of one of the words to show they demonstrated that quality in school – please ask them about their sticker and what they did!

With best wishes

Sally Dreckmann
Headteacher

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