

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

<p>Target and record sheets are a very good idea. However, would it be possible for parents to be updated more than just at parents evening?</p>	<p>Yes. After the first parents evening parents are free to come and look at their child's folder whenever they want. We want to go through it with you on the first occasion and again at the parents evening in the Spring. Between times you can come and look at progress and targets with your child. However, the folders must stay in school. If you have any concerns during the year just make an appointment to have a talk with your child's teacher.</p>
<p>My child is already making comparisons between himself and other children as he hasn't got as many smileys. He doesn't feel as 'well liked' by the grown up's as some of his friends.</p>	<p>Smiley's are not awarded on the basis of whether someone is 'liked' or not. Children can earn smileys for effort, achievement, progress, neatness, being polite etc etc. It is very early days but if your child is trying hard we will notice and they will be rewarded.</p>
<p>Will parents be informed when the 1-1 meetings are taking place?</p>	<p>No. Every child will have a 1-1 meeting every half term. It is up to your child to tell you when this has happened. The meetings will be fitted in whenever we can so it is not possible to always give advance warning.</p>
<p>Do other children know what each child's colours are on their chart or is it just the child, parents and teacher?</p>	<p>The folders are used often by the child, teacher and any support staff. Children are not allowed to look in each other's folders but sometimes the children want to show their friends and share ideas etc. This is the child's choice.</p>
<p>What if children are worried about not achieving the level set for them?</p>	<p>Some children may be anxious about their progress. You must trust our staff as professionals to know when a child needs support and guidance, when they need a gentle push and when they need to pull their socks up! Each meeting will be different and will be matched to the individual child.</p>
<p>Why will children be punished for attendance or uniform? These are the parents responsibility.</p>	<p>Some aspects of uniform are the child's responsibility ie not wearing jewellery, tucking your shirt in, remembering your PE kit. Other issues are parents responsibility and we will contact the parent if there is an issue with uniform or attendance. Children will not be punished for things they have no control over.</p>
<p>Can children put feedback in their file?</p>	<p>Yes. Children will be invited to write a comment at every mentoring meeting.</p>