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Dear Parent or Carer

New Approach to Promoting Positive Behaviour

Over the past few months the staff have been reviewing the school's behaviour policy particularly in relation to the use of *Choice Charts* and how these are helping pupils understand our expectations as well as the consequences there might be when poor behaviour occurs. We want to improve the consistency of our approach across the school when dealing with children's behaviour.

As a result of these discussions, we have decided to amend the school's behaviour policy. The primary change will be the removal of the Choice Chart system. In its place we shall be introducing a ***Making the Right Choice Matters*** poster into classes, a copy of which has been sent out with this letter. On this we identify what Team Green behaviour looks like so that this can be regularly referred to by the teachers in class. It clearly sets out what is expected of all children matched to the school's 3Rs. Below this, three further levels are identified. Each level reflects examples of undesirable behaviours that sometimes occur, again linked to the 3Rs, with the consequences that will be implemented if these behaviours are witnessed. There is some progression built into the levels, but also certain individual actions that would result in a child being moved directly onto, say, Level C, e.g. damaging property. The aim is to support children returning to Team Green behaviour quickly. Recovery strategies will be shared with the children to help them do this (also attached for your information).

Each level identifies the consequences that a child can expect should they be moved there by an adult. As parents, please read these carefully as several involve contact with you in some form or another.

Larger versions of this chart will be displayed in classrooms from Monday and the children have been informed about how it will work in today's assembly. We strongly believe that this revised approach will further reinforce the ethos that prevails throughout the school that it is everyone's responsibility to behave in a socially acceptable manner. It will also more clearly set out for children our expectations and show them what will happen should they not be able to meet these in some way.

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Should you have any questions about this revised approach, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Dignum or myself.

Yours sincerely

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