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Tuesday 25th September 2018

Maths Passport

Dear Parents / Careers,

As a school this year we have decided to embark on a new initiative called Maths Passport to improve the fluency and accuracy of the children's mathematics. The underlying core point of the Maths Passport is to develop the 'mastery' of basic number, place value and the four operations. Mastery is defined as having knowledge that can be quickly recalled, so that higher order problems can be solved efficiently and correctly.

Each passport has a set of targets that relate to number facts or skills which become progressively harder as they move through the passports. Each child will be given a passport as a starting point in line with their year groups National Curriculum objectives. The children will spend time each week with their teachers and peers practising the different skills associated with their passport. When they have shown mastery of the skills and feel ready, they will have their passport signed by their class teacher and once all objectives have been achieved the children will be tested against the whole passport. Once the entire passport is complete and the child has confidently achieved their targets, they will move onto the next passport.

An integral part of the passport progress is for the children to be practicing their skills at home as well as in school. Children will be expected to complete one piece of Maths homework each week in relation to their passport target objectives. Your child's target objectives will be stuck into their Homework books with a range of activities for your child to complete.

The launch to this new initiative will take place **Monday 1st October**. For this we are inviting the children to come to school in 'holiday clothes' ready to embark upon their journey. In class on Monday the children will spend time focusing on their Maths Passport target as well as investigating where in the world their country or continent is that they are starting on and learning about the culture. We are inviting parents to a family breakfast on **Friday 5th October** where you can find out more about Maths Passport.

If you have any questions, please contact myself or your class teacher.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss C Radcliffe