

Celebrating Success

At Hayfield Cross Church of England School we actively promote good behaviour by giving children who behave well a high profile in school. We consistently recognise children who have a good attitude to learning and behaviour and they are rewarded, publicised and used as a model for others to follow. There are times when children do not make wise choices about their learning or conduct which we address through our behaviour system which is detailed in our 'Behaviour Policy' available on the school website. This is designed to support children to learn from their mistakes and improve themselves by making better choices in the future.

Most importantly of all we use positive recognition to help children to have high expectations of themselves, be proud of their achievements and learn to develop a strength of character and self-esteem. There are a number of ways that we recognise and support children to make wise choices and develop a positive attitude to learning. These happen all through the day and can be through things such as praise, comments in marking, showing good work as an example, peer recognition and sometimes just a smile from their teacher shows that they are doing well.

We support children to learn our expectations through explicit teaching, reminding and reinforcing what we expect with them. Our children also support each other by sharing, discussing and modelling appropriate behaviours. We encourage self-reflection and have times set aside for this including Class Reflection every week. One of our core Cristian Values is 'Integrity' which is focused on being the best you can be and doing the right thing because it is the right thing to do.

Our reward system is awarded when children go over and above in their learning or behaviour. In the lower school there are called 'Hero Points' and are collected individually. In Key Stage 2 these are 'House Points' which are collected for their house as well as for themselves. The children collect these points to achieve Level 1, 2 and 3 certificates. Children who 'keep it green' all week and do not have to be put on the 'Think Board' (see Behaviour Policy) are awarded two Hero/House Points at the end of the week. This recognises children meeting our high expectations all the time and enables them to earn their higher level certificates faster.

Every Friday we host our weekly Celebration Assembly which is an important part of our week where we recognise the children's achievements and share news about our school. Parents, families and guests are welcome to join us at this time. In the assembly we present a range of awards, the main ones of which are:

Flash of Brilliance Award – Awarded for something that has impressed their teacher that week.

First Class Table Award – Chosen by the Lunchtime Supervisors for children who have good manners and play well with others at lunchtimes all week.

Hero/ House Point Certificate - Awarded when children achieve each level.

Hayfield Hero - Awarded each week to a child who has been exemplary in all aspects of their learning and behaviour all week and are recorded in The Book of Hayfield Heroes.

Hayfield Legends – At the end of each term one child from each class will be nominated by their teacher to become a Hayfield Legend. These children are given special responsibilities through the school and are rewarded with a special trip at the end of the year.

There are other awards that are presented at different times of the year including the Bishops Award for R.E. and our award for the Spelling Bee. We also encourage children to bring in and share other awards that they achieve out of school (and in after school clubs) which we present in assembly. These are usually for a range of activities including sports, drama, reading, swimming, dance and many others. We believe this is important as we enjoy sharing in all of our children's achievements.