Friday January 31st 2020

Dear Parents and Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. We are delighted to see everyone back, looking healthy, happy and well refreshed.

Our academic results have been exemplary this year with 92% of pupils leaving us with the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths, this is considerably above the National Average of 64%. In addition to academic success and as part of Ethos committee, we have discussed the key interpersonal skills we would want children to leave us with by the end of Year 6. We have identified key areas that we think are important for children to develop and we will be helping them to develop these skills as they go through their school life with us. We would like to think of them as Secrets to Success. You will see the list of key skills on the attached documents. In summary they are:

Try new things

Working hard

Concentrate

Push themselves

Imagine

Improve

Understand others

Not give up

You can see more detail in the enclose descriptions. We have introduced these to the children in assembly and teaching staff will be referring to them in lessons. Children will be able to earn certificates and badges of achievement in these areas, as they progress through the milestones, towards a bronze, silver and gold level. The children are enthusiastic and I am sure you will join with us in encouraging them to approach life in this way. We will link these attributes to our Christian Values as well. For example at the moment we are looking at the Christian Value of Courage, this links well to the personal attributes of trying new things and not giving up.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gardener and Mrs King

Headteacher Head of School