



*Believe, Succeed &  
Grow Together*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed your summer break. The children have been back for 4 days now and it is fabulous to have them back. They really bring to life our school environment.

We have new exciting adventures this year and it will be a 'year of firsts' as I alluded to in my end of term letter. We start with our core values:

**CONNECT** (Courage, Open mindedness, Nurture, Endeavour, Communication and Teamwork)

Each of these values will be our school focus for a half term and we start with Courage.

We are also endeavouring to increase our pupil voice. It is important to us that the children feel that the school environment is one where their voice is heard and valued, a place where the children have an opportunity to take responsibility for things and an environment that fosters and encourages early leadership. With these goals in mind we have discussed with the year 6 children that they will all be the first Frinton Primary prefects - complete with a badge! The role of a prefect will mean they have their very own areas of responsibility which is also rewarded with the status of the badge. Again for the first time we have decided, following feedback from the children, that we will hold nominations for a Head Boy and Girl this year. These responsibilities will involve the children publicly representing the school at events inside and outside of the school building. Our school council will continue and as well as that the children will have a 'family group' assembly. This will give the children the opportunity to mix with others outside of their year groups and a place where they can share ideas and opinions that will, through school council, feed back into school improvement.

Our school houses have taken a change this year also. We now have 6 'family groups'. The names and colours will be picked by the children. These groups will enable us to organise sports and curriculum days. It will also be the medium in which we reward 'family points' (team points in old speak). Family points will be awarded for our 6 new core values: Courage, Open mindedness, Nurture, Endeavouring, Communication and Teamwork. (CONNECT). I am sure the children will be excited to let you know what group they are in.

Our aim is to be the best we can be so that the children can receive the best chances we can give them. We appreciate that some ideas will need to tweak and change as we go along and as always we value your feedback.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Caffull and the school team.