

Merits

The Merit Point System:

This is a system that recognises year on year achievement, therefore maintaining the enthusiasm and motivation of the older pupils for the merit system.

- Merits are awarded for effort and achievement “above and beyond” that expected.
- 10 merits will equal one *distinction*. This is awarded by a member of the Senior Leadership Team.
- When a pupil has achieved four distinctions, they will be presented with a Certificate - Bronze-40, Silver-80, Gold-120, Platinum-160, Diamond-200, Ruby-240, Opal-280, Sapphire-320, Emerald-360, Amethyst-400, Topaz-440, Pearl-480, Crystal-520, Coral-560, Jade-600, Quartz-640, Moonstone-680, Zircon-720, Rhodonite-760, Garnet-800, Gallium-840, Rhodium-880, Onyx-920, & Amber-960.
- Merit Certificate Winners will be rewarded with a non-uniform day held on a termly basis.
- Pupils will be expected to receive at least one certificate a year.

“We believe that children will learn most effectively in a positive environment and therefore see the structure of rewards and merits as contributing greatly to that aim”

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“to flourish, learn & grow”

REWARDS AND MERITS

The Parkfields Vision:

“We will all work to the very highest standard to create an environment that enables us to flourish, learn and grow.”

Rewards are the positive side of discipline, creating a community atmosphere where good standards of behaviour and positive attitudes are encouraged. A “Celebration Assembly” is set aside for public acknowledgement and the presentation of awards.

The system of rewards are outlined below:

- An encouraging word or positive reinforcement.
- A visit to a more senior member of staff for commendation.
- Merits and merit certificates.
- **Merit Certificate Winners** are rewarded with a non-uniform day held on a half-termly basis.
- **Toast of the Week** - A slice of toast is given to members of the class with most merits.
- **Golden Ticket** - awarded for acts of good citizenship.
- **Head of Year Commendation** - awarded for improvement on profile and for recognition of an individual pupil's contribution and effort.
- **Headteacher's Commendation** - awarded for outstanding effort over a period of time, 100% on the Pupil Profile, for an outstanding piece of work or as recognition for service to the Community.
- **Praise Postcard** - a postcard sent home to indicate special effort or achievement.
- **F.R.E.D.I.C.E.** - a wrist band is awarded to pupils who show good examples of Friendship, Respect, Excellence, Determination, Inspiration, Courage & Equality.
- **Attendance Awards** - these are awarded weekly to the class with the highest level of attendance and at the end of the school year to individuals achieving 100% attendance.
- **Pupil Profile** - effort and behaviour are reported to parents/carers throughout the year.
- **Head's High Profilers** - the 5 boys and 5 girls with the best profiles in each year group meet with the Headteacher and staff for recognition and refreshment.
- **Key Skill Keyrings** - a keyring is awarded to pupils who show examples of communication, use of number, information technology, effective participation, reflective learning, team working, self management, creative writing and independent inquiry.