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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

I hope you and your families had a merry Christmas and look forward to a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

In School we would like to improve and reward the behaviour of all pupils. The majority of our pupils always behave well and always follow the Golden Rules - do be kind and helpful, do listen, do be honest, do work hard, do be gentle and do look after property.

The School Governors have agreed to finance a reward system for good behaviour for all pupils. The Golden Time, Team points and Head Teacher's awards will continue as before for good work, good effort, good attendance, good progress and for following the Golden Rules.

Congratulations go to the Blue House Team who gained the highest number of house points last term and won their House Party which will be on Wednesday 9th January at 2.15 in the hall.

The new "Points Make Prizes" reward system will be for good behaviour. Pupils will gain points for good behaviour daily. They will be able to earn up to 6 points a day and 30 points week. There will be a variety of prizes the pupils can buy with their points starting at 60 points. The pupils can either spend their points or save them. They will be able to spend their points on a Friday afternoon if they have earned enough points or choose to spend them. The most valuable prize will be a £5 WHSmith's Voucher worth 900 points.

Each child will have their own points' book which will be kept by their class teacher. The teachers are the only people who can put points awarded into the books. Any staff can give points for good behaviour. The teachers will total the points weekly and the "Points Make Prizes" shop will be open on a Friday afternoon.



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All pupils can behave well and can follow the Golden Rules daily. The Code of Conduct Leaflet which all pupils were given in October 2007 identifies the school expectations for good behaviour and the sanctions for poor behaviour. This code will continue to be followed.

I would like parents and carers to remind all pupils that the following behaviour will NOT be accepted:-

- Swearing of any kind is not acceptable (cr*p, s**t, bl**dy etc.);
- Saying No to any school staff or parent helper is not acceptable;
- Kicking, biting, punching, hitting are not acceptable;
- Bullying of any kind is not acceptable.

All pupils at Dorchester Primary are loveable and capable. They are encouraged at school to do their personal best and enjoy their education. All pupils should feel safe and happy at all times.

We are not prepared to allow a very small number of pupils to spoil this school or make other pupils feel unsafe or unhappy.

Dorchester Primary is a good school and we could be an outstanding school by "achieving excellence together in a caring community".

This new reward system should reward everyone daily and should make all the pupils feel happy and valued.

Please share the contents of this letter with your child/children.

Here's to a Happy 2008!

Best wishes,

Louise Austin
Head Teacher