



7th January 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Attached to this email is your child's Interim Report following our autumn term assessments, which took place before Christmas. Once our assessments are complete, we use an online tracking system to monitor the attainment and progress of the children. This online tracking system is called Target Tracker and it breaks each year band (Year 1 – Year 6) into six steps.

- beginning (b)
- beginning plus (b+)
- working within (w)
- working within plus (w+)
- secure (s)
- secure plus (s+)

At this point in the year, children who are working at the expected level for their year group would be secure (s) in the year group from the previous year. For example, a child in Year 2 would be assessed at this point in the year as 1s, if they were at age related expectations for their year group. Their age-related end of year target (July 2022) would be 2w/2w+. We appreciate that some children may have extra steps to make due to school closure during 2019-2020 and 2020-2021. As the spring term begins, we will continue to address gaps in the children's knowledge and understanding across the curriculum.

Pupils in Year 1 will be assessed using the EYFS 40-60 month band steps until they move into the Year 1 band. Most children will usually move into the Year 1 band in the spring term. Children are expected to be working within the Year 1 band (1w/1w+) at the end of Year 1. However, some children will progress further and some children will be below.

Usually expected progress over the course of the academic year for each child is 6 steps. However, for many children we are supporting them to be able to make more than 6 steps progress so that we can aim to get as many children as possible back on track following school closures. There is no expectation as to how this will happen over the course of the year. All children progress at different rates, and gaps in knowledge and understanding need to be addressed. At the end of each term, teachers assess all of the children and monitor their progress to check they are on track to meet their end of year target. You will receive another interim report just after the spring break, which will be followed closely by a parents' evening to discuss your child's progress.

We hope that this helps to explain our interim report for those of you who are unfamiliar with the format. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher using our key stage emails.

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Regards

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