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Dear Parents and Carers

RE: GFES Behaviour and Relationships Policy

Further to our Summer 1 Newsletter, we wanted to let you know that last week we launched our updated **GFES Behaviour and Relationships Policy**.

As a school we have the very highest of expectations for all of our children and our updated policy is designed to support every child in meeting these standards. To help us to achieve this, our approach is based on emotional coaching, which is *"the practice of tuning into children's feelings and supporting them to cope – and self-regulate – negative emotions like fear, anger and sadness. Emotional coaching is based on the principle that nurturing and emotionally supportive relationships provide optimal contexts for the promotion of children's outcomes and resilience"*.

During Health Week we introduced "The Colour Monster" book by Anna Llenas which supports children of all ages to identify and understand their emotions better. This shared understanding through school is already helping children to identify and recognise why they feel like they do and how this could impact on their behaviour and relationships.

In consultation with Staff, Governors, our focus Parent Group and School Council we have identified three key rules which we are encouraging all children to follow.

These are:

- **Be ready**
- **Be respectful**
- **Be safe**

In Assemblies last week, and in class, the children explored why we have these rules and what they look like in school, out of school and online. We hope they have shared some of their ideas with you.

We have also reviewed and reintroduced some of our rewards and sanctions. Last Friday in Celebration Assembly we reintroduced "George the Bear". Each week, George is presented to the class who earns the most teddies. These teddies can be won by individual children, groups or the whole class for excellent behaviour which reinforces our three rules.

Our Behaviour and Relationships Policy is now available on our school website at www.georgefenthamschool.co.uk To access our Policy please click on the Home/Our School tab and then on Statutory Information. Scroll down to the Policies section and our Behaviour and Relationships Policy is listed here.

We hope you will take time to read our Policy and support us in reinforcing our high expectations across school. Should you have any queries, please speak with your child's class teacher, Mrs Morris or myself at your earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely
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Headteacher

