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Dear Parents / Guardians,

At Norton Primary School, we embrace changes that are going to have a positive impact on the children's learning and education. As you may already be aware, the DFE have introduced a new EYFS framework, commencing September 2021. The school became an early adopter of these changes in the last academic year and we are familiar and aware of the changes and have already put lots of changes into place ready for September.

What does this mean for your child?

Your child will follow the updated EYFS framework and will work towards the final assessment at the end of the Reception (FS2) year, using the new ELGs (Early learning goals). These goals are short statements that teachers assess your child against at the end of FS2. These statements will be shared with you once your child is in FS2. The 7 main areas of learning remain the same. These are;

Communication & Physical Development Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Literacy Mathematics Expressive Arts and Design Understanding the world

The new framework is also more aligned with the KS1 curriculum, further ensuring your child's educational journey from EYFS to KS1 is building upon previous knowledge.

As part of the changes to the new framework, it also means that there is less emphasis on recording paperwork, meaning we, as adults, can spend more time with your child getting to know them and having those quality interactions. Staff record 'Spotlights' which are moments where a child's learning shines. They are short observations to record the key learning and development observed. Tapestry is also used every term to share a narrative story, which is a longer observation of your child's learning and interests. This is available online and also kept in their Learning Journal. Please let your class teacher know if you have any trouble accessing your child's Tapestry account.

We value information and insight to a child's learning and interests at home too! As well as commenting on Tapestry observations; you can add your own photos and videos from home. You can also fill in 'wow moments' to share your child's achievements at school!

If you have any questions then please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Stein













