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'Part of the Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Citizenship and Character Award**

I am writing to let you know about a new and exciting award that we hope your child will achieve during their time at Midsomer Norton Primary School. The new 'Citizenship and Character Award' has been designed to encourage our young people to develop their own personal skills that will help them to lead healthy and happy lives. It has been created for all primary children in the Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership so we hope that your child will enjoy taking part along with hundreds of other children in the local area!

The award has been created to develop five main character strands:

- 'Developing Me' To explore personal skills and interests.
- 'Physical Me' To encourage physical activity, including healthy eating.
- 'Wellbeing Me' To develop positive mental health and wellbeing.
- 'Local Me' To discover and celebrate the local area.
- 'Global Me' To learn more about their place as a global citizen.

The passport will remain in school; however, your child will bring home a copy today so that, together, you can reflect on your child's progress at home. It contains a number of different activities and challenges to achieve within each of the strands. Some of these we would encourage you to enjoy with your child at home, others we will explore in school. When an activity has been completed, you and/or your child can let us know and we will sign off the achievement. We would love to see photographs but a simple verbal explanation will do. When children have successfully completed 3 activities from each strand, they will be awarded a bronze award. When 5 activities from each strand have been completed, they will achieve a silver award. To achieve the top gold award, your child is encouraged to complete 7 activities from each strand. Each award will be celebrated in school so we are looking forward to hearing all about your child's achievements.



As you will see from the passport, there will be three opportunities/rounds throughout your child's time at our school to achieve bronze, silver and gold awards. These will be during YR-Y2, Y3-Y4, Y5-Y6. Although the passport states that awards will be issued at the end of these periods, we are likely to be celebrating your child's achievements throughout the school year!

I hope you are as excited as we are about this new initiative and we hope your child enjoys taking part.

Yours sincerely,

Alun Randell Head Teacher







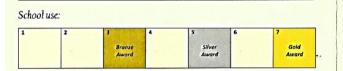
Global Me:				
Fundraise	Take part in global environmental work	Take part in global charity work	Challenge prejudice	Challenge stereotypes
Learn about another culture	Make a friend in another country	Learn about another country	Look after an animal	Take part in a global debate
Be a goodwill ambassador	What are human rights?	Write a charity case study	Learn about an explorer	Learn about Fairtrade
What is a citizen?	Understand elimate change	Understand cultural diversity	Profile an endangered species	Investigate an inspirational person

#### How to receive an award:

• Bronze = complete 3 activities from each strand/zone.

- Silver complete 5 activities from each strand/zone.
  - Gold = complete 7 activities from each strand/zone.

Awards will be issued at the end of Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6.

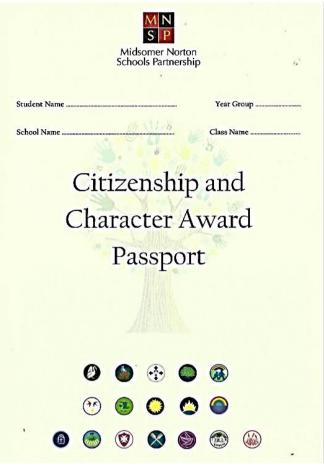


# **Developing Me:**

Learn a new skill	Learn an instrument	Find out about a job	Demonstrate online safety	Use technology for good
Present something	Solve a problem	Overnight adventure	Collect something	Plan something
Invent something	Use a map	Perform something	Take photographs on a theme	All about me
Understand perception	Teach something	Be a leader	Be inspirational	Overcome a challenge
Share a talent	Keep a diary	Tell a story		

# Physical Me:

Learn a new Sport/physical activity	Learn basic first aid	Cook something healthy	Make a meal for someone
Shop for healthy food	Try food from another culture	Learn a new skill	Go on a bike/scooter ride
Build a den	Go on a long walk	Keep an exercise diary	Visit the beach



#### Wellbeing Me: Grow Learn an Make a Create Learn something instrument model something menta) (art) first aid Demonstrate Create a Celebrate Play a Stargaze resilience game you game Cloud Walk Watch a Have a Watch somewhere watch performance the picnic new sunrise Watch the Go birdwatching sunset

### Local Me:

Volunteer	Join a club	Fundraise	Demonstrate British values	Take part in local environmenta work
Take part in local charity work	Trace your family tree	Celebrate something	Challenge prejudice	Challenge stereotypes
Work as a team	Learn about money	Fix something	Help someone/act of kindness	Find out about where you live
Travel somewhere	Interview someone	Look after an animal	Visit a local natural space	Visit a place of worship
Promote tolerance	Go on a welly walk	Make a home for wildlife		