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Dear Parents,

Further to last Friday's newsletter, I am pleased to be able to share further details with you of our newly formed House System and our forthcoming Winter Challenge. I talked to pupils about this in assembly this morning and they were very excited!

In keeping with our Queen Boudica namesake, we have chosen four Celtic tribes to represent our four houses. These are:

Ordovices - from mid Wales (blue)

Silures - from South Wales (green)

Iceni - from Suffolk/Norfolk (red)

Trinovantes - from Essex/London (yellow)

We're all learning their names: should you wish to read more, I found this website helpful:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient/british_prehistory/iron_01.shtml

As from January, pupils will be able to earn 'tribe' points for good work, good behaviour and good deeds. We will add up the points each week and share the total in assembly, with the winning house being awarded a trophy to be kept in the foyer.

We will also calculate the points throughout a half term, and the winning tribe will earn a reward at the end of the half term. We'll also continue adding up the points so that we have a winning tribe at the end of each school year.

We're starting off our Tribal System with Year 6 pupils electing Tribal Chieftains this week, so that during the morning of **Thursday 14th December**, each tribe will convene to meet its Chieftains and the adults allocated to work with them.

On **Monday 18th December**, all four tribes will meet and receive a sealed envelope containing their Winter Challenge. Tribes will work to complete the challenge in mixed age teams during the afternoon, and will continue with this on the morning of **Tuesday 19th December**.

We will meet together on Tuesday afternoon for the judging and awards to the winning tribe. We're really looking forward to ending our term with focused activities which will enable older and younger pupils to work together and support each other to achieve their very best.

We have checked our pupil lists and have ensured that siblings are now in the same tribe, as this wasn't always the case previously. If this causes any concern or queries, please do let us know, but we wanted to align families.

If your child would like to wear their coloured sports day t-shirt with their school skirt/trousers on the 18th and 19th, they are most welcome to do so. May the best tribe win!

With kind regards,

Ms Clare Woodward
Head Teacher



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