

SEPTEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

Give your child a brighter future

Welcome to our first newsletter of a new school year. As well as several new students, we also welcome a new tutor. **Alison** is a very experienced primary teacher and she is already having a positive impact in the centre.

Attitude is a little thing that makes a BIG difference.



When entering the centre, you will notice these words on the left of the stairs. A **positive** attitude is vital to success in life, not just in the Kip McGrath centre. **Attitudes are learned habits of thinking.** Negative thoughts like “I can’t” can quickly develop into negative attitudes; full of blame and excuses. Positive thinking requires **effort** and constant practice in order to develop positive attitudes; so necessary to overcome the setbacks which we will all inevitably face.

Merit Awards were not awarded during the holiday months July and August. It is not automatic that there will be more than one **Star** each month. Tutors nominate students based on these criteria:

1. Attendance and punctuality over a sustained period.
2. Positive attitude, shown by a willingness to learn.
3. Progress made in study; which follows from 1 and 2.

One student deserves a special mention. **Katie** was awarded the St Laurence shield for **effort**, an annual award voted for by school staff.



Success breeds success. Congratulations to the following students who have made good progress at school: **Fatima** for winning “Bang” game 3 times, **Ga Hou** for his Gold Award for full attendance for the whole year and Merit Certificate for “fantastic work in Numeracy”, **Izis** for moving up a group in literacy, **Joseph (S)** for his Merit Award for working hard in literacy, **Stephanie** for reading 80 books. Well done **Amy (F)** for her 800m ASA distance award in Swimming and **Megan (J)** for achieving her Orange Belt in Aikido.

Times Tables challenge. Congratulations to **Charlotte** and **Ga Hou** for winning a **£5 cinema token** and well done **Alex (S)** for achieving a score of **30** on level 3.

Remember the centre will **close** for school half-term, after lessons on **Saturday 20th October** and re-open on **Tuesday 30th October**.



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