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## Summerhill Community Awards

Dear Parents/Carers,






We are incredibly excited to have launched our Summerhill Community Awards with the children in assembly today.

The aim and purpose of these is for our children to have new experiences and to develop skills and confidence to allow them to be the best they can be in their future. Extra-curricular clubs and resources will be made available to support children in achieving these, as well as opportunities they can engage in within the community.

Your children will work towards achieving their bronze, silver, gold and platinum awards during their time at Summerhill Academy. They will bring home a passport today to capture their progress towards them.

They will need to complete an activity from differing areas depending on the standard of award. For example, for the silver award they will need to complete activities from 4 different areas. They will also need to use a mixture of three different time frames - Sustained: 6-12 weeks, Short term: 1-5 weeks and a one off: week/day event. To encourage long term learning, they will only be able to complete a 'one off' once for each award. They can share this passport with their class teacher as and when they achieve them or with me on a Thursday lunchtime. It would be great to share examples of what the children are accomplishing, so please do send photos via Dojo and the school email and allow children to bring in creations to enthuse others.

The areas in which they will need to choose from are:

 Physical	 Technical	 Resilience	 Green	 Acts of kindness
Join a sports club Learn a dance routine Start the day with exercise Yoga Explore a new place	Up skill – learn to: play an instrument, knit, cook a new dish, speak a new language Teach someone else your skills	Go free of: Plastic, TV, Sugar, Social media, Meat	Create a bug hotel Complete a bird watch – wildlife watch awards WWF green ambassadors' scheme – free online	Get talking – visit/phone an elderly relative Help with household chores Donate food Help gardening

The ideas shown are starting points – the more creative we can be the better.

As we know, there is a wealth of expertise and skills from within our community. If you can offer any time to support children in accessing and attaining their community awards, please come to our volunteer open afternoon on Monday 27 September from 2pm or contact me if this time is not suitable.

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

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Rachel Scammell  
Vice Principal

