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Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016

**‘Growth Mindsets’ and Perseverance information afternoon for parents’**

**CHANGE OF DATE**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016 @ 2.30pm**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to invite to a short information afternoon for parents to explain more about ‘growth mindsets’, our new school value of perseverance, and how you can support your child at home.

*“I’m no good at maths, he is like me.” “She’ll never be able to spell.” “Not got a musical bone in her body, just like her Dad” “He’s naturally clever, he doesn’t need to work hard.”*

Have you ever had anyone say this about you? Have you said this about your children? I know I have. This is a very ‘fixed mindset’ way of thinking. People with ‘fixed mindsets’ think that intelligence and abilities are fixed and can’t be improved on, they are also often very quick to give up when they are asked to improve something, make mistakes or the task seems too hard. Having a ‘growth mindset’ means that you are more open to challenges, willing to learn from mistakes and more resilient in the face of adversity; qualities which are vitally important in today’s world.

At Reculver CE Primary School, we believe that all children *can* make progress and improve from their starting place. This term we have been teaching the children that they can grow their brain, by working hard, practicing and most importantly not giving up when something gets difficult.

Come and join us on Monday afternoon to find out more. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

Mrs. R. Swansbury

Church Distinctiveness Leader

