



At St Thomas the Apostle Primary School we have developed a school wide positive behaviour system based on the concept of **MATES**.

**Mates Are Thoughtful, Engaged and Safe.** Children can earn **MATES** cards distributed by staff, for demonstrating thoughtful, engaged and safe behaviours around the school and in the classrooms. Children can trade their **MATES** cards for a series of coloured bands working towards a blue band.

The system is as follows:

5 **MATES** cards= 1 green band

5 green bands= 1 red band

3 red bands= 1 blue band

When a student achieves a **Blue Band** they also receive a certificate of recognition of this which is presented to them at a whole school assembly. As an added bonus to this achievement, the student has a special lunch with the school principal Mr Thiele.