



St. Peter's
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Dear parents and carers,

I would like to formally inform you about the staffing arrangements that have been made for next year. Appointing so many members of staff has by no means been straight forward and I thank you all for your patience whilst the matter has been dealt with. I am really excited about our new team for September!

The most significant change to staffing at St. Peter's is the introduction of a Leadership team. I feel very strongly that a leadership team would enable the school to run more effectively and ensure that big decisions are made by three people, not just myself. I hope that this will allow parents and children to feel more confident about the way the school is being led. From September, I will remain as Headteacher and I will be supported by Mrs. Frost, who has been re-appointed as a part-time Assistant Head teacher (whilst continuing her teaching role in Class 2) and Mr. Rooney (our new full time Year 5/6 teacher) who will be the senior teacher on the two days that Mrs. Frost does not work. We will also work closely with Mrs Giacalone, who has been appointed as a High Level teaching Assistant (HLTA) and she will be co-ordinating the support team of learning assistants at St. Peter's.

I'm sure that many of you have also been made aware that from September, we will no longer have a Year 3/4 class, but 2 classes; Year 3 and Year 4. This is as a result of increased class sizes. Although we are now closed to admissions in all year groups so that we can control the increasing numbers, we are still faced with large classes as the children move up the school. The organisation of St. Peter's will change annually to meet the needs of our children. In September, the classes will be arranged as follows:

- Class 1 (Reception and 11 Year 1 children) will be taught by **Mrs. Hancock**.
- Class 2 (8 Year 1 children and 21 Year 2 children) will be taught by **Mrs Smith** on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and **Mrs. Frost** on Thursday and Friday.
- Class 3 (Year 3) will be taught by **Mrs. Traynar** in what is currently Mrs. Quayle's room.
- Class 4 (Year 4) will be taught by **Miss Halden** in the room that was previously the staff room (which is almost as large as Mr. Roger's room now that it has been cleared!).
- Class 5 will be taught by **Mr. Rooney**.

I have invited our new staff to our end of term events so hopefully you will get an opportunity to welcome them to the St. Peter's family soon. Our new team will need a lot of help and support whilst they get used to their new school and I would ask that we all do our best to support our new (and existing!) teachers.

Finally, I would like to thank you once again for your patience whilst this matter has been dealt with.

Kind regards,

Miss McNamara

Headteacher