

Growing and Learning Together in God's Love

St Mark's CofE Primary School

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Dear parents and carers,

I wanted to let you know of staffing changes and teaching arrangements for September 2025.

We have very few changes amongst our staff again this year:

- Mrs Woods will be finishing at St Mark's at the end of July. She has successfully secured a position at Merton Junior School from September. Mrs Woods has been at St Mark's since 2016 as an NQT, and has made such a positive impact on our school over the years. Her passion and talent for leading PE and Dance has also helped us offer better opportunities for the children, and most notably she introduced us to Dance Live several years ago, winning several awards in the process. We are sad to see Mrs Woods leave St Mark's, and wish her all the best for her next season of teaching.
- **Miss Seaborn** will be finishing at the end of July, with the exciting prospect of going travelling for a while. She has worked at St Mark's as an LSA across the school and within The Bridge and Year 2 especially. She also leads our girls' football and netball teams and other after school clubs, and has been a huge influence on our budding musicians in the orchestra. We are so grateful for all that she has given, and will really miss her. Enjoy your travels though!

Additionally:

- Mr McGill (Y5) has successfully completed his teacher training year, and will be a qualified teacher at Great Binfields Primary School from September. We wish him the very best in his new role.
- Mrs Callaghan will return briefly in September for a few weeks, and then begin maternity leave. We look forward to sharing news with you!
- Miss Goddard went on maternity leave in May, and celebrated the arrival of their second child in June.
- Miss Guyatt is getting married at the end of July and will return in September as Mrs Cummins.
- We are excited to welcome Miss Micklefield to our team, who will be joining us in Year 5!

Transition Morning

On Wednesday 16th July, the children across the school (minus Year 6!) will be spending some time in their new class, with their new teacher(s). They are told this information in the morning, and then enjoy a session getting to know their new classmates. This is a tried and tested method, and we find it really reassures the children.

Reports

On Wednesday 16th July, you'll be emailed your child's report and also their new class information. The teachers have spent hours and hours creating class lists, and it involved collating much information to make the decisions. We are pleased with the classes for September, and will not be making any changes to them! The knock-on effects are just not fair on other children, and we appreciate your trust in the decisions we have made.

Please see the teaching arrangements for September on the next page

Head Teacher: Charles Applegate Deputy Head Teacher: Nikki Ford





Teaching arrangements for September

Year R	Mrs Baird - Penguins	Mr Bonner - Puffins	Mrs Rushton - Parrots
Year 1	Mrs Brackenridge & Mrs Mitchell - 1BM	Miss Burgess - 1B	Mrs Cummins - 1C (nee Miss Guyatt!)
Year 2	Mrs Carter and Mrs Lee - 2CL	Mrs Phillips - 2P	Miss Maggs - 2M
Year 3	Mrs Parker & Mrs Stone/Mrs Silvester * - 3SP	Mrs Barr & Mrs Rosso - 3BR	Mrs Davies - 3D
Year 4	Mrs Boyle & Mrs Spiers - 4SB	Miss Carr - 4C	Mrs Meredith - 4M
Year 5	Miss Fowler - 5F	Miss Eames - 5E	Miss Micklefield - 5M
Year 6	Mrs Chapman - 6C	Mrs Poole - 6P	Miss Dulfo Stagg - 6DS
РРА	Miss Stonehouse	Mrs Parker	Mrs Nicholls
SENCO	Mrs Prevett	Mrs Cooper	
Bridge	Mrs Heels		
Pastoral	Mrs Elms	Mrs Shefras	Mrs Carrier

* Mrs Stone is covering Mrs Silvester's maternity leave until December. Mrs Parker will be teaching 4 days/week (Mon-Thurs), and Mrs Stone 1 day/week (Friday).

As well as the teachers above, we are supported by an **incredible** team of LSAs, office staff, pastoral staff and site team. I am truly grateful for the committed and compassionate individuals who support our children and help ensure the smooth running of our school.

Mrs Ford (Deputy Head Teacher), Mrs Carter and Mrs Rosso (Assistant Head Teachers) will continue to lead St Mark's with me, of which I am thankful.

Best wishes, Charles