

Newport Church of England Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers of children currently in Years 3, 4 and 5,

I am writing to you today to confirm our staffing arrangements for September and our plans for supporting your child with their transition to the next year group (hasn't that come around quickly!).

Our teaching staff will be working as follows from September 2021:

Year 3:

3B: Mr Butler with Mrs Humphries teaching on a Friday 3P: Mrs Pearson (currently known as Miss Watson!)

3L: Mr Lawson

Year 4:

4J: Miss Jones (covered by Miss Jenkins for Miss Jones' maternity leave which will commence in September)

4NJ: Mrs Jukes 4P: Mr Parker

Year 5:

5M: Mr Moody 5H: Miss Hardy 5TM: Mr Marsh

Year 6:

6J: Mr Jones 6K: Mrs Kerr 6B: Miss Bold

Forest School:

Mrs Kucynszka

This year we will be mixing up the current class groups. At Newport CE Junior School we believe it benefits the children for the classes to be mixed. Children develop wider friendship groups and get to spend time, over the four years, with most of their cohort. We are aware that children can be anxious about this and we talk to the children about 'worry' at a time of change being a normal feeling. We encourage the children to talk to someone about their feelings and to use parents, teachers and friends for support. It is also important to talk to the children about a time of change being exciting and talking about the opportunities that this will bring; new friends, teacher, classroom, visits and experiences.

As a team we work together really hard to try to get the class mixes to fit as best we can. We try to ensure that children have someone in their new class with them who is familiar from their previous class and whom we have seen them work well alongside. It is fair to say we don't always get this perfect but please reassure the children that teachers make the decisions with their best interests in mind.



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We appreciate your support for us as a school at this time of transition and would be grateful if you could reiterate some of our messages to your children at home. If you do have concerns please do contact your class teacher or a member of the leadership team.

We usually spend at least a day with our new class teachers towards the end of the Summer Term. Unfortunately this will not be possible this year due to COVID guidance and risk assessments. However, on the afternoon of Friday the 9th July the children will spend some time in their new classes with their new teacher. It is on this afternoon they will find out which class they are in.

We appreciate your support.

Best wishes

Mrs Moody Head teacher