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3rd July 2023

Dear Parents

You will find enclosed with this letter your child's report, attendance overview and any information regarding statutory testing and results. Y6 SATS results are due out on the 11th July so these will be sent separately. **Please can you complete the reply slip at the bottom of this letter and return to your child's teacher.**

Children will have the opportunity to meet their new teachers on Thursday this week. I am sure they will be full of stories about their day and their new classroom and teachers when they come home that day.

We are excited to confirm the following staffing and class formations for September (You will notice that classes now have names – our school council elected new names for each class):

Class	Year(s)	Anticipated Number of Children	Teacher	Support Staff
Eaglets	EYFS/Year 1	25	Mrs Burrow	Mrs Armstrong
Avocet	Year 1/Year 2	28	Miss Lamb	Miss Jackson
Goldcrest	Year 3/Year 4	23	Miss Isherwood	Miss Jenkinson
Lapwing	Year 4/Year 5	23	Mrs Bridgewater	Miss Stead
Eagle	Year 6	21	Miss Whiteford	Mrs McGrath

Next academic year, key stage 2 classes will join in the afternoons as below for foundation subjects. This will allow Miss Isherwood to complete her deputy head duties each afternoon. This will facilitate small classes in the morning with bespoke English and Maths teaching, while in the afternoons the children will experience a creative curriculum tailored to their age range with their peers.

Class	Year(s)	Anticipated Number of Children
Lapwing	Year 3 and Year 4	34
Eagle	Year 5 and Year 6	33

We say a fond farewell to Miss Moon who has worked for many years at St John's. She is leaving to spend more time with her young family. Miss Kardasz and Mrs Morton also leave us to take up new opportunities. We say goodbye, too, to Miss Perkins who leaves us to begin her teaching training in September. We wish them all the very best for a wonderful future and thank them for their dedication and hard work for our children.



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We welcome Mrs Armstrong who comes to us from West End school in Oswaldtwistle who will be our new support staff in Class 1 (Eaglets Class) in September. We also welcome Miss Lamb as our new teacher in Class 2 (Avocet Class) who comes to us from St Mary Magdalen's school in Accrington. We also welcome Mrs Bridgewater who will be teaching in Class 4 (Lapwing Class) and comes to us from a school in Wakefield. Our new staff are very excited to start with us and join our school family.

PE timetables will be available on each class pages for September. We have carefully considered pupils changing into PE kits and have decided to continue to changing in school for PE for all classes. Please ensure children have a PE kit in school for this purpose. Single gender changing will be facilitated from Year 3 onwards. Swimming will take place for all key stage 2 children next year as below:

Swimming – Wednesday afternoons

Autumn Term – Years 5 and 6

Spring Term – Years 3 and 4

Please can we remind parents of the following expectations for next academic year:

Attendance – children are expected to attend school every day, holidays are to be taken out of term time please. Appointments are to be made outside of the school day unless they are at the hospital or are an emergency. The minimum attendance expected is 96%. Please take a look at your child's attendance this year in relation to this expectation.

Uniform – please ensure children wear correct uniform each day – particularly appropriate footwear. As ambassadors for our school, it is essential our children are proud of their uniform and follow our school expectations in this regard.

School Day – please note the slight change of times for the school day from September as we are now required by the Government to be open 32.5 hours per week. Therefore, we have a **soft start at 8.45am** as is currently in place but **class doors will close at 8.50am instead of 8.55am. School will end for all pupils at 3.20pm.**

Thank you all for your continued support – we wish you all a wonderful summer and look forward to our new school year ahead in September.

Yours sincerely

Frances Brady

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Headteacher



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