

Headteacher Mr M Cunniffe

Tuesday 19th March 2024

Dear Parents,

NPA Staffing Update 2024

We are writing to inform you of a small number of changes to staff roles within Northbrook Primary Academy.

First, we are pleased to announce that Miss Sharrock will be returning to Northbrook just before the Easter break. She will be returning to her role of Assistant Headteacher (EYFS/Key Stage 1) and the crucial role of SENDCo. Miss Sharrock has thoroughly enjoyed her time with her young family but is now looking forward to returning to school four days per week during the summer term. Sadly, however, this means that Mr Dowd's time as cover for her maternity leave is coming to an end. We want to thank him for the significant positive impact he has had during his time at NPA. We wish Mr Dowd the very best on his return to our sister school Churchtown Primary School. We would also like to thank Mrs Morris for her sterling work as our SENDCo in Miss Sharrock's absence.

Secondly, we will welcome back Miss Jackson from her maternity leave for the final week of the spring term. Again, Miss Jackson has thoroughly enjoyed her special time with her son Alfie, but she is excited about her return to NPA and taking over the teaching of our superb Year 1 class for the remainder of the academic year. Mrs Pizzey will be working closely with Miss Jackson during the final weeks of the Spring term to ensure Year 1 have a seamless transition. This will include attending Parents Evening on Thursday 21st March, alongside Mrs Pizzey.


We will not be saying goodbye to Mrs Pizzey though, as she will be working with us for the remainder of the academic year teaching in Year 3 two days per week, alongside Mrs Morris. Mrs Pizzey has worked with Northbrook Primary Academy many times over the last few years, and we are pleased that we have secured a teacher of significant experience, who knows our children and school extremely well.

Thirdly, we will say goodbye to Mr Austin who has been working as an intervention teacher supporting the progress of children right across Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Mr Austin will be retiring from teaching at Easter, but we are sure we will be working with him in some capacity moving forwards, as he has a multitude of skills and experience that will benefit our children. Again, we want to thank Mr Austin for the significant impact he has had on the children at NPA during his time here.



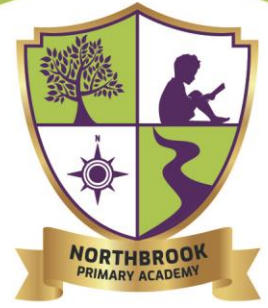
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Finally, we will welcome Mrs Standeven to Northbrook on a short-term secondment from Churchtown Primary School. Mrs Standeven will be working alongside Miss Sharrock and the staff in EYFS and Key Stage 1 to support the development of our children's phonics and early reading skills. Mrs Standeven is a vastly experienced teacher, and we are privileged to have her working with us for two days per week during the next half-term.

If you have any questions or queries do not hesitate to contact school. Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,


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