



12th July 2022

Class Organisation and Staff News for Academic Year 2022-2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Class Organisation:

If you have a child in Reception-Year 3 this academic year, you will be aware that we have had mixed year groups classes for the past two academic years. Next academic year, we will have mixed year group classes in all year groups from Reception to Year 5. The mixed age group classes have worked very well for the past 2 years and have allowed us to have significantly smaller class sizes, therefore ensuring the children have more time working in small groups with the adults. Children are split simply according to age. So for example; Reception has the youngest Reception children in it, Reception/Year 1 has the oldest Reception children and the youngest Year 1 children, and Year 1 has the oldest Year 1 children in it. This pattern continues across the school.

The classes will be organised as seen below:

Incredible Years:

Nursery: Pixie
Reception: Unicorn
Reception/Year 1: Elf
Year 1 Gremlin

Years 2 and 3:

Year 2: Gnome
Year 2/3: Giant
Year 3: Troll

Years 4 and 5:

Year 4: Dragon
Year 4/5: Griffin
Year 5: Centaur

Year 6 will continue to have 2 classes, with only Year 6 children in them.

Please find attached your child's new class list and teacher. The children will have a transition morning in their new classrooms, with their new teachers on Wednesday 13th July. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

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Staff News:

Miss Rusk will be leaving us at the end of the year. She has worked across the school tutoring children in small groups and teaching groups in Years 1, 2, 3 and 5. Her support for children has been instrumental in ensuring children catch up on any lost learning as a result of the pandemic.

Miss Monerawela will be leaving us at the end of this academic year. She has worked at Oxford Gardens for 4 years, teaching Years 1, 2 and 4. She is moving on to a school closer to home, where she has secured a middle leadership position. We wish her the best of luck.

George Zacharias, one of our Music teachers and our orchestra lead, is moving on to be Head of Strings at another school, where he will work full time. George has sparked a love of music in so many of our children and has led the orchestra, who continue to perform regularly. We wish George every success and hope that we can invite him back as a member of the audience at an orchestra event next year.

Sue Bowes, our reprographics officer, is leaving us after 39 years of working at the school. She will be enjoying her well-earned retirement! Sue has tirelessly supported the children and staff in different capacities over the years and we are very grateful for everything that she has given to the community. We hope Sue enjoys her well-earned rest.

Kind regards,
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