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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are working hard and preparing to welcome the 2023 Reception Cohort. This involves contacting your child's nursery / pre-school / childminder (if they attend one of these settings).

Alongside these preparations, we wanted to share with you our initial plans for September 2023. At present our possible admissions for September are lower than previous years, although there still could be changes over the coming weeks. As you may know, the intake for St Peter's is 35 and over recent years, the Reception children have been split into two classes - an EYFS class and an EYFS / Y1 class.

We are currently working with a Lancashire Early Years Consultant to establish an EYFS and Year 1 unit (consisting of Skylarks and Sanderlings). These two classes will be working very closely together, whilst still covering the EYFS curriculum and ensuring the Y1's access ambitious curriculum expectations. The two classes will have an element of 'free flow' enabling the children from both classes to access the learning environments established in both rooms and the outdoors. The teams in these classes will be working in collaboration, so the children that are within EYFS and a number of Y1 children will work with the whole team.

By working in a new way, the Reception children will be given a class base but they will be taught by our Reception teachers. Mrs Daly and Mrs Parker will be their key adults and will be contacting the nurseries, pre-schools and childminders this coming week.

Our 2023 Reception / Y1 Team

Reception	Mrs J Daly (4 days)	Mrs Parker (1 day)
Reception / Y1	Mrs Winter	
Support Staff	Mrs Holmes	Mrs Jeffreys

The Year 1 children will be taught their curriculum by Mrs Winter.

We are all excited about the new way of working. As stated in the Statutory Framework for EYFS and foundation stage...

"Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support that enables them to fulfil their potential. Children develop quickly in the early years and a child's experiences between birth and age five have a major impact on their future life chances. A secure, safe and happy childhood is important in its own right. Good parenting and high-quality early learning together provide the foundation children need to make the most of their abilities and talents as they grow up."

We are committed to ensuring all of our children have the best start to school in order to enable them to flourish. We look forward to sharing further information over the coming week and for you to have the opportunity to meet the team at our summer events.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Dodd

Associate Headteacher

Flourishing together

'I have come that you may have life, life in all its fullness' John 10:10

