



7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

I am writing to provide you with a slight staffing update within the Primary Phase. The changes will take effect after February half term.

**Year 6** – Parents, you will be aware that there is now only **10 weeks** until our Year 6 will be sitting their End of Key Stage Two Assessments, SATs, therefore next term we will be moving to flexible groupings. This means that children will not be working in static classes and will be working in different groups throughout the day and with different teachers. This is to ensure that gaps identified in knowledge can be addressed and rapid progress can be made. During this period extra learning and support from home will also ensure that children achieve the best outcomes. Mrs Pickard our Assistant Principal and Key Stage Two leader will be leading the year group and ensuring that everything is in place.

**Class Rowling** – Miss Smith who currently teaches and supports in Year 5 will be remaining in Class Rowling and Mr Purcell will be teaching the classes next term. Mr Purcell has been with us most of this term and has previously worked at our Fir Vale Academy. Parents evening will still run as normal with Miss Kirby on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

**Class Dahl Year 2** – Miss Cooper will be remaining in Class Dahl for next half term.

Thank you for your continued support. I would like to wish you all a restful half term.

Yours sincerely

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