

Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached that time of year when we start to think about our new classes for September. Today children have spent the day getting to know their new class teaching team as part of our transition process.

As always, we will have some changes to the team for new academic year. Mrs Ellison has now begun her maternity leave; therefore, Mrs Beach will be released from teaching in Y5 from September to resume her role as Acting SENCo. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Praveen and Miss Beattie at the end of term. Both have been amazing members of staff who always go the extra mile to help the children or support the team. They will be greatly missed by staff and children, and will remain part of the Whitby Heath extended family. We will be welcoming back Mrs Batey from her maternity leave later in the autumn term, and at a similar time Mrs Burgess will be heading off on her maternity leave. I am very happy to inform you that Mrs Cullen will be staying on with us and joining the Y6 team after Mrs Burgess' departure.

Miss Boulton and Miss Wild will become Mrs Simpson and Mrs Stuart respectively over the summer as they are each getting married. Congratulations to them both on their upcoming weddings.

I am also excited to inform you that we welcome the following new members of staff to our team for the coming year:

- Miss Cook will be joining us officially from September as part of the Y5 teaching team, whilst Mrs Beach is in the Acting SENCo role. Miss Cook is already known to many of the children as she has been working with us over the last year – she will be an excellent addition to the staff.
- We have recruited 2 new support staff for Key Stage 1, Mrs Kelly and Miss Pleavin, who both joined us for today's sessions. We look forward to them officially joining the team from September.

Teaching Teams 2025/26

Current Class 2024-25	New Class 2025-26	Teacher	Support Staff
Pre school	Reception Elm	Mrs Burns	Mrs Bell Mrs Corkish Mrs Crawford
	Reception Oak	Mrs Wright & Mrs Cullen / Mrs Batey (from November)	
Reception New Mixed Classes*	Year 1 Beech	Mrs Simpson (nee Boulton)	Miss Lambert Mrs Kelly Miss O Burns
	Year 1 Ash	Mrs Manning	
Year 1 Beech	Year 2 Fir	Mrs Buttery & Miss Brennan	Miss Pleavin Mr Goodwin

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Year 1 Ash	Year 2 Cherry	Mrs Hutchinson	Mrs Edwards
Year 2 New Mixed Classes*	Year 3 Rowan	Mrs Lloyd	Mrs Newton
	Year 3 Poplar	Mrs C Williams & Mrs Madden	
Year 3 Rowan	Year 4 Cedar	Mr Spann	Mrs Swindells Miss C Williams
Year 3 Poplar	Year 4 Holly	Mrs Wood	
Year 4 Holly	Year 5 Sycamore	Miss Cook	Miss Choy Mrs Gosling
Year 4 Cedar	Year 5 Willow	Miss Harland	
Year 5 Willow	Year 6 Birch	Mrs Williams & Mrs Burgess / Mrs Cullen (from November)	Mrs Heaney Mrs Markley
Year 5 Sycamore	Year 6 Maple	Mrs Stuart (nee Wild)	

** Reception Classes and Year 2 classes will be mixing this year as they move up into their new Key Stage. Each child's parents will receive a notification on Dojo today as to which class they are moving to.*

Finally, very soon we will say goodbye to our Year 6 children and we wish them all the best for the next stage of their education at high school. They have been a fantastic group and I know every member of staff will miss them next year. I hope they thoroughly enjoy their last few weeks at Whitby Heath.

Kind regards,



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