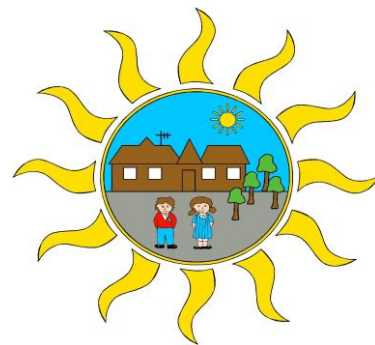


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Headteacher
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Friday 24th May 2019

Re: School Structure from September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

The nature of a small school is that the structure and staffing often changes due to the fluctuating cohort sizes - I have been here nine years and every year the school has been structured slightly differently!

Although the decisions around structure and staffing are operational and fall under the Headteacher's remit, this year has been slightly different because I am of course leaving. At the time of setting the budget and needing to make decisions, my successor had not been appointed so our Chair of Governors, David Furlow, has very kindly worked with me to finalise the structure. I would like to thank him for supporting me in this process and I am very happy that the decisions we have come to are the best ones for the children. In making these decisions, we have taken into account cohort sizes, including the size of our new intake, and looked at the strengths and experience of our staff against the needs of the children in each class. Having considered all these things, the structure and staffing of the school for September 2019 will be as follows:

Class	Year groups	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Rabbits	Reception and Year 1	Mrs Dinnis-Searle	Mrs Ford will be working across the two classes
Owls	Year 2	Mr Cella	
Badgers	Years 3 and 4	Mr Noble	Mrs Pay and Mrs Button
Foxes	Years 5 and 6	Mrs Hines	Mrs Cook

You will see that Mrs Dinnis-Searle will be back in class from September. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Fenwick for covering the class during Mrs Dinnis-Searle's maternity leave, and wish her all the very best in her new job at Westbourne Primary School.

Sadly, at the end of the summer term we will also be saying goodbye to Miss Hetherington who has been working as a teaching assistant in Foxes class since January, as her temporary contract comes to an end. Again, we wish her the very best as she continues her studies through the Open University, with the aim of eventually qualifying as a teacher.



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As you know, our school's philosophy is 'stage not age' and so can I please take this opportunity to reassure you that whatever class your child is in, their learning will be personalised to them, to match their needs and enable them to make good progress.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally Dreckmann". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Sally Dreckmann