

St Mary's C.E. Primary School



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Dear Parent/Carer

STAFFING 2016/17

On the morning of Wednesday 6th July the children in Reception to Year 5 will be taught by their new Teacher for next year. With this in mind I would like to let you know the staffing arrangements for the classes next year.

- Reception** – Miss Marsh, Mrs Ellam, Miss Abson
- Year 1** – Mrs Bessell/Mrs Brook, Mrs Mellor + 1 new member of staff
- Year 2** – Mrs Artley, Mrs Kitchen, Miss Rolph, Miss Brodigan
- Year 3** – Miss Lassu, Miss Murray
- Year 4** – Miss Boon, Miss Gould, Mr Hughes (mornings)
- Year 5** – Miss Tallentire, Mrs Baruah
- Year 6** – Mr Moore/Mrs Copley, Mrs Utley + 1 new member of staff

In addition to the staffing structure outlined above, Miss Cook (Wellbeing Leader), Mr Hughes (Sports Leader), Mrs Armitage (School Secretary), Mrs Murgatroyd (Admin Assistant) and Mr Grant (Caretaker) will continue as previously. Oh and me!

There are some new names on the staffing list and all teachers are moving year groups.

Reception - Miss Hanna Marsh will be moving from Year 2 to reception. Over the coming weeks she will be visiting nurseries to meet the new starters. Mrs Helen Ellam and Miss Kirsty Abson continue to work in Reception.

Year 1 – Mrs Lisa Bessell and Mrs Catrina Brook will job share, both working three days a week. Mrs Denise Mellor and a new Teaching Assistant will work in Year 1.

Year 2 - Mrs Lucy Artley is joining us from a school in Wakefield where she has worked for the last 4 years. She has experience of working in both Year 1 and Year 2. Mrs Artley will also lead maths across the school. Mrs Lynn Kitchen and Miss Elena Rolph will also be working in Year 2. They will also be joined by Miss Charlotte Brodigan an ITT student.

Year 3 - Miss Amanda Lassu has completed the majority of her training at St. Mary's Primary school in both Year 5 and Year 2. Only last week she completed her final placement with year 2 and she will move up with them into Year 3 next year. Miss Paula Murray will continue to work in Year 3.

Year 4 - Miss Lauren Boon has worked at one of our other SMAT schools, Darfield All Saints for the past 2 years. She is unable to join us immediately in September, however she will start on 17th October. To cover Year 4, until then Mrs Brook will teach Year 4 and Mrs Bessell will teach Year 1, both of them full time. From Week 7 Miss Boon will work with Year 4 full-time. I think this arrangement will ensure the best opportunities for a smooth transition and thank both Mrs Bessell and Mrs Brook for offering to teach the classes full time

until Miss Boon is able to join us. Year 4 will also be supported by Miss Anna Gould, full time, and Mr Wayne Hughes in the mornings.

Year 5 - Miss Sam Tallentire has trained to teach at one of our other SMAT schools, West Meadows Primary. Her class mentor there has been Miss Rachel Knox, who for the first 5 years of her teaching career worked here. She will be joined in year 5 by Mrs Geeti Baruah.

Year 6 – Mr Moore will move up to year 6 with his current class. He will be joined by Mrs Laura Copley on a Thursday and Friday. They will share the teaching on a Thursday and Friday morning. Mrs Utley will continue to work in Year 6 for three days a week and will be joined by a new Teaching Assistant.

I would like to take the opportunity again to thank Mr Bray, Mrs Windle, Mrs James and Miss Bower for their hard work and commitment to the children here during their time with us. They will be missed greatly.

I would also like to wish Miss Pollard well as she will soon begin her maternity leave. No doubt she will be bringing her little one into school to visit us all. Miss Pollard will return to school after Easter.

I am confident that the new staff arriving will soon fit into the well-established team. Working together we will strive to provide the best possible education and environment for the children.

Yours sincerely

Lee Spencer
Head Teacher