

Important parent/carer update - staffing for next year!

Wednesday 28th June 2023

Dear parents/carers.

I am delighted to be in a position to share with you the staffing arrangements for September 2023. Whilst this is not a full, completely finalised plan, we feel that it is important that parents/carers know where everyone is heading so that you can help us prepare your child/children for the transition. Staff will not be moved from what is set out in our plan but additional staff members may be added.

So long, farewell, auf Wiederstein, goodbye...

Sadly, a few staff members will be leaving us at the end of this academic year.

The wonderful Mrs Cotter is moving to take up a new role at St Vincent de Paul Catholic Primary School. Mrs Cotter has worked tirelessly supporting our children across KS1 for the past three years and has become a vital member of our Flo Melly family. She has helped develop and establish our strong phonics provision and has been relentless in her commitment to ensuring that every child becomes a reader. We wish Mrs Cotter the very best of luck in her new leadership role. She will be greatly missed. Good luck Mrs Cotter.

The lovely Mrs Speers will also be leaving Florence Melly as she is retiring to spend more quality time with her grandchildren. Mrs Speers has worked at Florence Melly for nine years, supporting pupils on a 1:1 and small group basis. She always develops wonderful relationships with the children she supports and she will also be missed tremendously. Enjoy your retirement (and your gorgeous grandchildren) Mrs Speers!

Lastly, Mrs Kane, our fabulous School Business Manager, will also be retiring before we break up for the Summer holidays. Mrs Kane has played an integral role in improving what we do at our school, as part of the school leadership team. She is a familiar face to those who frequent our school office and always gives up her time to help support our families. Her organisational skills and her tightly managed budget (which is no mean feat in this climate) will be sorely missed. Mrs Kane's last day will in fact be Tuesday 11th July, not the last day of term. We wish her the very best for whatever she decides to do next!

Mrs Kane will be replaced by our new School Business Manager, Miss Mollie Rainford (Miss Mollie), who has already started and is working alongside Mrs Kane in the school office. We are delighted with her appointment and we are very lucky to have appointed such a brilliant candidate.

Miss McWilliams and Mr Walsh will be taking up teaching posts in September. Mr Walsh is a very familiar face around these parts and Miss McWilliams will be joining us from a school in the south of the city. We are absolutely delighted with both of these appointments and they are very much looking forward to getting started with their new classes.

We are still interviewing and finalising further positions across the school and these will be announced once the positions have been filled.

Class-based staffing arrangements for September 2023

The Nest - Miss Dalton.

Nursery - Ms McCarrick, Mrs Kane and Mrs Stokes.

Reception - Miss Latta (Phase Leader), Miss Batt, Miss Ward and Miss Antrobus.

Year 1 - Mrs Hourihan, Mrs Matthews, Miss Harris and Miss Styles.

Year 2 - Miss Burnett (Phase Leader), Miss Doyle, Mrs Findell, Mrs Quinn, Mrs McInnes and Mrs Woodhouse.

Year 3 - Mr Mullin, Miss Foley and Miss Waters.

Year 4 - Mr Derbyshire (Phase Leader), Mrs Doyle, Mrs Brown, Mrs Sainsbury and Ms Conlon.

Year 5 - Mrs Dentith, Miss McWilliams, Mr Walsh, Miss Chapeau and Mrs Moses.

Year 6 - Miss Byott (Phase Leader), Mr Southern, Mrs Hughes and Mrs Tichy.

Our transition day

Our whole-school transition day will take place on Thursday 6th July 2023, where all children will have the opportunity to visit their new classrooms and meet their new staff members. Although we are in a position to announce the staff in each year group, we are still in discussion with our team regarding which specific classes the children will be allocated to. Parents/carers will be informed before the transition event. We always consider a multitude of factors when sorting out the classes; prioritising the children's learning is always our main motivation! Please be assured that all decisions will be made with the children's best interests at heart.

Thank you for your patience and support in dealing with this very complex matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me: <u>a.leach@fmp.liverpool.sch.uk</u>.

Kind regards.

Mr Leach Headteacher

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