



May 16<sup>th</sup> 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well. What a difference in a few days! Lots of rain and lots of sunshine! Let's hope for more of the latter!

We have been discussing arrangements for the new academic year.

**Teachers** will be finalised soon and I will notify you after half term who is teaching what class. We have 1 more appointment to make.

### **Classes**

We have been giving this much thought. We are going to be mixing the 2 classes in each of the Key Stage 2 year groups for September (i.e. current Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y5). We always used to do this when Y2 moved to Y3, but stopped with the pandemic due to the amount of disruption children were experiencing. We feel now is a good time to make the change for all Key Stage 2 children, as a few year groups missed out. In the past, parents, to be fair, were very sceptical (and nervous!) about the change for their Y2 children when they moved to Y3. However, many of them spoke to us a while after the change, thanking us and saying they could see how much of a positive impact the change had for their children.

Some of the positives shared with us are:

- Making new friends, while at the same time keeping old ones
- Improved confidence and resilience
- Experiencing change

The new classes for September will be arranged after half term, with the teachers involving the children in the process. Their thoughts will be listened to, however decisions will be made based on what staff believe is in the best interests for each child. I will let you know at the same time as informing you of the class teacher arrangements.

### **After School Provision**

We have also been giving thought to how after school provision could look in the autumn. We would like your views on this please and have put together a questionnaire. You can access it using the link below. It will be available until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May.

<https://forms.gle/4zt6QtR5vGDTmFZE9>

I do hope you will continue to support us with all the work all the staff are doing here to help give your children the very best experience in school.

Very best wishes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Rayer'.

**Steve Rayer**  
**Headteacher**