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## Dear Parents,

When we return to school after the Summer half term break, we always have transition firmly in our minds. The arrangements for 2017 – 18 will see children leaving us, others arriving, as well as children moving year groups. This year we will also be saying 'farewell' to a number of teachers and giving a big Haytor View 'welcome' to several new staff.

The arrangements put in place to support the transition are as a result of leaders and teachers thinking about each of the children in each of our classes, to ensure they receive opportunities which will support them in effectively 'transitioning' from their current class into their new class.

You will receive a Transition Newsletter over the next few weeks, which will provide specific details about the transition arrangements for your child, as well as information about the adults your child will be spending time with so you know the main points of contact.

Also we will be hosting an after-school opportunity for you to catch up with your child's current teacher, visit your child's new class and where possible meet their new teacher - this will take place on  $19^{th}$  July 3.30 - 5pm.

The purpose of this letter is to let you know details of the teachers who will be leading learning in each setting in September 2017. We are currently finalising arrangements for our learning partners, developing these with acute attention to the well being and learning needs of each group of pupils. We expect that these details will be included in the Transition Newsletter that you will receive over the coming weeks.

# 2017-18 Learning Leaders & Roles

### Foundation Stage

Miss Butler – Foundation Stage Leader Mrs Penn – Foundation Stage Learning Leader

#### Key Stage 1

Mr Franklin – Key Stage 1 Leader & Year 2 Learning Leader Miss Pollard – Year 1 Learning Leader

### <u>Key Stage 2</u>

Mr Hankin – Key Stage 2 Leader & Year 6 Learning Leader
Mrs Cousins – Year 4 Learning Leader
Miss Shopland – Year 3 Learning Leader
\*Year 5 Learning Leader to be confirmed

You will notice the absence of some names and addition of others - exciting times beckon for Mrs Brine and Miss Broomfield! Miss Brine has made the move to pursue a teaching career on the other side of the world, in Australia, and Miss Broomfield is pleased to be moving towards opportunities closer to her home, having spent so much of the last 5 years travelling to and from school. We are grateful for all that they have brought the children of Haytor View while they have been with us – we wish them both well knowing that their legacy will be with us for years to come.

With exhaustive recruitment processes either complete or underway we will have three teachers joining us in September:-

- Mrs Penn will join the Foundation Stage team
- Miss Pollard will join the Key Stage 1 team, leading learning in Year 1
- Finally, we are eagerly awaiting to appoint our teacher to our Key Stage 2 team, leading learning in Year 5 our Year 5 children will be engaged in the process of finding our new teacher over the next few weeks and we look forward to updating you of the outcome.

As we arrange the transfer of teachers from existing settings to our own, we will be mindful to ensure that your child gets the opportunity to meet with new teachers and find out something about them prior to them joining us in September, this requires us to liaise with their current schools which may see fewer opportunities for direct contact this term.

You will notice that Mr Blurton and Miss Cameron have not been allocated a class base. Mr Blurton will be continuing his role of release teachers across the school, supporting the development of music and wider opportunities. Miss Cameron will also be working with Key Stage 1 and Foundation Stage supporting release, and widening the impact of her phonics teaching!

We are pleased and proud that we continue to see our school grow, which is seeing us retain our 8 classes at a time when many schools are having to restrict numbers of classes but increase numbers of children within them.

We will continue to update you over forthcoming weeks via the transition newsletters and the weekly newsletters. However, should you have any queries regarding transition please feel free to discuss them with your child's current or future teacher, the phase leader, myself or Mr Hampton.

Yours sincerely

Katy Liley – Head of Learning & Development

