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#### STAFF NEWS

The staffing arrangements for September are as follows:

Y6 Mrs Baker & Mrs Burden

**Y5** Mrs Ashcroft & Mrs Vicary

**Y4** Mr Snow & Mrs Boots

**Y3** Miss Benson & Mrs Rees

Y2 Miss Collins & Mrs Bradley

**Y1** Mrs Thornborough & Mrs Houghton

F2 Mrs McHale & Mrs McCormick

- Mrs Healy, Mrs Baker, Mrs Boots and Mrs Burden will teach additional lessons in KS1 & 2. Mrs Cui will teach Chinese in KS1.
- We are sorry to announce that Mr Dagnall will be leaving us at the end of this year. Mr Dagnall worked with the children in Year two and we will miss him very much. We wish him every success for his future career.
- We are also sad to say goodbye to Miss Gardner who successfully completed her placement with us. We wish her success in her new role at Great Meols Primary School.
- We are pleased to welcome a new teacher, Miss Benson, to the KS2 team. Miss Benson is an experienced Year three teacher. She is looking forward to meeting her new class very soon.

#### TRANSITION

We are hoping to arrange for all of the children to meet their new teacher before the end of the summer term. Our current thinking is to organise a socially distanced circle time either on the field or in the pergola area near to the dining room, in groups of 15. We are also planning to invite Y6 children to come and spend some time with their teachers and classmates in the same way. We will be in touch with arrangements very soon.

## SEPTEMBER

As yet we do not have any more information regarding September. We hope that it will be school as normal. However, Wirral LA are looking into an online learning hub and we are exploring Microsoft Teams and Neo Pod in case we need to continue with blended learning. We very much hope that this will not be required. Please note that the last day of the school term will still be Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.

## **REPORTS**

School reports will be available in early July and there will be a chance to discuss the report with the class teacher if you wish. Arrangements to book a telephone call will be sent shortly.

## <u>11+</u>

I have asked for Primary Headteachers' Consultation Group for an update regarding the 11+. My understanding is the LA are waiting for information from the DfE. There is a statement on the Wirral website. See below. Please be assured that we will notify parents if we hear any new information.

# Possible change to grammar school assessments due to COVID-19

Published assessment dates are currently intended to go ahead as planned. However, changes might be needed in order to comply with Public Health England guidance, including social distancing. We are waiting for further guidance from the Department for Education. If there are any changes to the arrangements parents will be notified as soon as possible.