

## WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL BARTONS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of term is now just a few weeks away and we are starting to prepare and think about the autumn term in September. With this in mind, the children have been asking us which class they will be in next year and with which teacher.

Following some recent changes in staffing, we have appointed two new teachers for September. Miss Yardley and Miss Grimsey are very excited to be joining Team Bartons. They will bring new ideas and some brilliant additional skills. At the end of term, we will sadly say goodbye to Mrs Hillier who is moving on to pastures new. After 16 years of loyal service, we will be very sad to say good bye to her.

As you are all aware, schools funding across the country has been significantly reduced which of course affects our school too. In addition to this, due to the structure of the school moving from being an infant to a primary school, there are currently two classes in Year 5 and 6. This September, 40 children will have left Year 6 (two classes) and only 30 children will be starting in Year R (one class). As a consequence of all of this, we have had to go through a staffing restructure process within the school. A number of staff have left and were not replaced at that time and some support staff have taken voluntary redundancy. The Governors and I, thank them all for their hard work and wish them the very best for the future.

| Current Class  | New Class Sept | Year Group | Teacher      |
|----------------|----------------|------------|--------------|
| New children   | Elm Class      | New Year R | Miss Yardley |
| Elm Class      | Beech Class    | Year 1     | Mrs Morris   |
| Beech Class    | Chestnut Class | Year 2     | Miss Grimsey |
| Chestnut Class | Hazel Class    | Year 3     | Mrs Reynolds |
| Hazel Class    | Ash Class      | Year 4     | Miss Cook    |
| Ash Class      | Lime Class     | Year 5     | Mrs Olliver  |
| Lime Class     | Cedar Class    | Year 6     | Mr Hayne     |
| Willow Class   | Oak Class      | Year 6     | Mrs Lewis    |

Therefore the classes for September are as follows:

In September, Mrs Duggan will be an intervention and PPA cover teacher for Miss Yardley. Mrs A. Powell will work in classes across the school to release senior leaders. The children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher on the morning of the 15<sup>th</sup> July and will spend some time with them.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kate Powell Headteacher