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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is transition day and children are currently in their new classroom with their new teacher. We are aware that this time of transition can be unsettling for children, but we aim to make the morning a positive experience, so they come home excited and pleased having spent time with their new teacher.

Staffing updates

Mr Chadburn will be leaving us over the summer. He has taught at MJS for five years and will be taking up a new role as a Computing teacher at a new special school. Mrs Trott will also be leaving us over the summer. She has worked in Year 4 this year and has accepted a new role in a Crawley school. Mrs Walker will be retiring this summer. She has been part of our part-time teaching team for 17 years and has probably covered every class in the school over the last few years. Mrs Braidwood will be retiring this summer. She has been a teaching assistant at the school for 20 years and has given so much time to support children as they come through MJS. We are sorry to see all four members of staff move on as they have hugely contributed to the school and we wish them every success and happiness in their futures.

We welcome Mrs Ball to our teaching team and she will be teaching in Year 3 in September. We welcome Miss Kilduff to the Year 5 teaching team, while we also welcome Ms Vigors, Miss Clarke and Mrs Moallemi to our SEND team.

Our staffing for September is shown in the table below, showing you where classes are moving to.

The information being shared is as follows:

Senior Leadership Team
Mr Pike (Headteacher)
Mr Footman-Williams (Deputy Headteacher – Lower School)
Miss Negus (Deputy Headteacher – Upper School)
Mr Turnbull (Inclusion Manager)



Year 3:	Year 4:
3JD – Mr Davies – Year Lead 3HB – Mrs Bryant 3SR – Miss Rice 3ST – Mrs Stansfield Jones / Mrs Teague 3SL – Mrs Ball	3HB moving to 4AW – Mr Williams (Year Lead) 3PG moving to 4JM – Miss Ma'k 3JD moving to 4OC – Mr Caddy 3EA moving to 4PG – Mr Gander 3EH moving to 4GH – Mrs George and Mrs Henning (Mrs Henning is currently on maternity leave until Jan/Feb so Mrs Trett will be covering until that time)
Year 5: (see information below)	Year 6:
5HW – Miss Weller – Year Lead 5DO – Miss O'Sullivan 5JH – Mr Haigh 5EH – Miss Hennings 5GK – Ms Granger / Miss Kilduff	5AG moving to 6CP – Miss Child (Year Lead) and Mrs Peaty 5HW moving to 6EA – Miss Awcock 5JH moving to 6SC – Mrs Cummins 5DO moving to 6SB – Mrs Blackmore 5GT moving to 6BM – Mr McLoughlin
Launchpad Purple room – Mrs Ricketts Green room – Miss Lee	

Year 5

As you are aware, children are mixed up into new classes as they move from Year 4 to Year 5. We are pleased with the make-up of the five new classes and we are looking forward to seeing them grow as a new class. Year 4 children have a separate letter with them today stating which of the above classes they are in. For Data Protection purposes, we are not able to share class lists.

Mrs Cummins' Class

Mrs Cummins is absent from school today and 5JH have been to their new classroom and will have time with Mrs Cummins at a re-arranged date later this term.

Swimming

Children who have had a swimming session today will miss part of their transition however, they have spent time with their new teacher and class today but additional time will be set up later in the term for further transition.

As always, please come to talk to the class teacher, or a member of the Leadership Team, if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

Mr Pike
Headteacher