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Dear Parents/Carers

Class Structures

As a school with mixed aged classes, historically we have mixed classes at the end of each year and parents have been notified which class their child will be in the next year, usually in the children's end of year reports.

Each year school staff spend many hours modelling different combinations of classes, taking into account friendships, gender, ability, behaviour, special needs, gifts, talents and many other variables. Despite all of this hard work, each year we get complaints about the class allocations and have children who are unhappy with the allocation as it is not an exact science.

With this in mind the school and Governors have decided that, as the classes are very stable this year and were very carefully selected last year, the children will move up with the children in their class who are in their year group. The classes will not be mixed up this year.

What does this mean for my child?

Swallows and Finches:

These two classes will be carefully split into 3 groups taking into account the variables listed above and will either become Year One Martins, Merlins or Robins.

Year One Merlins, Martins and Robins

The children will stay together as a class and will become either Y2 Merlins, Martins or Robins depending on the class they are in now. (Y1 Merlins become Y2 Merlins)

Year Two Merlins, Martins and Robins

The children will stay together as a class and will join with one of the current Y3 classes to become either a Y3 Kestrel, Harrier or Falcon. (Which to be confirmed)

Year Three Kestrels, Harriers and Falcons

The children will stay together as a class and will become either Y4 Kestrels, Harriers or Falcons depending on the class they are in now. (Y3 Kestrels become Y4 Kestrels)

Year Four Kestrels, Harriers and Falcons

The children will stay together as a class and will join with one of the current Y5 Classes to become either a Y5 Osprey, Kite or Eagle. (Which to be confirmed)

Year Five Ospreys, Eagles or Kites

The children will stay together as a class and will become a Year Six Osprey, Eagle or Kite depending on the class they are in at the moment. (Y5 Ospreys become Y6 Ospreys)

The current classroom and teacher may change. This will be communicated in the end of year reports.

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This course of action will provide stability for classes, reduce the number of complaints we have regarding this process and reduce workload for staff.

There will be a small fraction of children who are moved out of their existing class for very specific reasons. Please note we are not able to accommodate individual requests.

We intend to continue with this way of organising classes into future years.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Smith
Executive Headteacher

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