



St. Werburgh's C. E. (A) Primary School

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19th June 2019

Dear parents and carers,

As we come nearer to the end of this busy and exciting school year, we wanted to update you with some important information.

At the end of this academic year, Mrs Wendy Brassington will be retiring. Wendy (or Mrs B. as she is known to the children) has worked at St. Werburgh's since the school was built in the 1800s (well... maybe around 26 years!), starting out originally as a volunteer. Over the years she has forged lots and lots of fantastic, positive relationships with many, many children, parents, carers, grandparents, parishioners...and staff! Wendy is a caring, talented, very funny and much-loved member of the team and she will be **hugely** missed by us all in so many different ways, although we know that we will still see her in church and around the Parish. We are sure that you will join us in wishing her a happy and thoroughly-deserved retirement.

Also at the end of term, Madam Anne Jones will be retiring from her role as French teacher. Madam Jones has been an important part of the St. Werburgh's family for an amazing 17 years and taught countless children, from Reception through to Year 6, the very valuable skills of how to communicate in a different language, making us able to contribute more to our global community. We wish her 'bonne chance' in her much-deserved retirement and will greatly miss her skill, caring nature and happy and cheerful personality.

They say things happen in threes and this is seemingly the case with retirements too! Mrs Irene Welford will be retiring at the end of term. Mrs Welford is our Home School Support Worker and has provided excellent help and support to a number of children and families over the past 5½ years here; across our Trust; and with a number of other local schools. Irene has had a positive impact on the children and families with whom she has worked and we wish her the very best of luck as she leaves us and heads to a different part of the country with extremely exciting retirement plans!

We are excited to inform you of some other staffing changes for the academic year 2019/20. It may not have escaped the attention of the eagle-eyed among you that Miss Boswell is soon to become a mum! We are thrilled for Miss Boswell and her fiancé as they prepare for this exciting new addition to their family! So, as she spends quality time with her new baby and comes to terms with sleepless nights and nappies, our Assistant School Leader, Mrs Bloor, will teach our superb Year 6 class for the next academic year.

The Trustees and Leadership Team are thrilled to have appointed Miss Sophie Bullock to join us and teach our wonderful Year 4/5 class from September as Maternity Cover for Miss Boswell. We, and many of the children, know Miss Bullock well, as she was an Associate Teacher in our wonderful Year 4/5 class earlier this year.

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Also in September, Mrs Lindsey Chilton-Merryweather will be seconded for the academic year to teach and support the leadership at our sister school, Bishop Rawle C. E. (A) Primary in Cheadle. We are therefore delighted to be welcoming back Miss Charlotte Hickman, currently a Reception and Year 1 teacher at one of our sister schools (and former Associate Teacher here at St. Werburgh's), who will have the honour of teaching the newest members of our school family in our spectacular Reception class.

We know you will join us in welcoming both Miss Hickman and Miss Bullock back to the St. Werburgh's family in September.

As you know, our Trust Board and Leadership Team annually review the school structure and have decided to maintain the current format. Therefore, the class structure for 2019/20 will be as follows:

Reception	- Miss Charlotte Hickman
Year 1	- Mr Chris Casey
Year 2	- Miss Lindsay Keeling (Assistant School Leader)
Year 3 and Year 4	- Mrs Louise Proctor
Year 4 and Year 5	- Miss Sophie Bullock
Year 6	- Mrs Hayley Bloor (Assistant School Leader)

Mr Alex Brayford
Mr Jared Eccles

Principal of The Moorlands Primary Federation
Executive Principal of The Moorlands Primary Federation

Our children will also benefit from the academic guidance of our amazing Learning Support Team of: Mrs Yvonne Evans, Mrs Andrea Eyre, Mrs Katie Goodwin, Mrs Michelle Hill, Mrs Bev Mace, Mrs Estelle Price, Mrs Toni Wright and, of course, Mrs Vicki Burton (in the school office).

Of course we will contact the parents of the children in next year's Year 4 (current Year 3) in the approaching weeks to clarify in which class they will be taught for the next academic year.

We are delighted that Mr Mike Prescott will be continuing his music instrument tuition, complemented by Mrs Mandi Whiteley who will again teach Music lessons. The Cheadle Academy will provide us with a skilled Foreign Languages teacher; ASM will be contributing to our sport and PE provision and the children will swim at the South Moorlands Leisure Centre.

All of the team are very much looking forward to another positive and fulfilling year and we thank you for all of your continued and ongoing support.

Should you wish to discuss this matter, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the team.

Yours sincerely,

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