

1st July 2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we move towards the end of the school year, I would like to thank you for all of your support during the last year. It has been a pleasure to see our Ashford children achieving so well, and we have enjoyed sharing the progress the children have made with you.

Who is my child's new teacher?

This afternoon the children have had the opportunity to 'move up' to meet their new teacher and spend some time in their new classroom. They have had an exciting time looking ahead to all that they will be learning next year! I am writing to you today to share with you the details of our teaching team for next year. Attached to this letter is an overview of all of our classes and their teachers for 2025/2026

What changes are there to the staff team?

We are delighted to have a strong teaching team for next year and we are pleased to be welcoming Mrs Dearman back for two days a week following her maternity leave.

Whilst we welcome the new members joining our team, it is also a time for us to bid farewell to some members of staff. Mr MacMahon will be moving on and joining a school in Teddington after completing his teacher training. Miss Wyeth will be leaving her role in year 5 to explore a different role outside of education, Mrs Powers will be leaving to further develop her skills working in a secondary school and Miss Chambers will be leaving her role of one to one support. We would like to thank these staff members for their service to our school and wish them well for their exciting new chapters.

We would also like to wish Miss Richardson all the best for her upcoming wedding which is taking place in the summer.

Forthcoming school events – dates for your diary.

We will be inviting you into school for our open afternoons before the end of term so that you can celebrate your child's learning with them in class. The dates for these are **Tuesday 15th July at 2:30 for Infants and Wednesday 16th July at 2:30 for Juniors.**

Year 6 parents have received separate letters with information about the year 6 leavers service and fun event which are both wonderful opportunities for us to celebrate our children before they start their next adventures at secondary school.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to all of our staff who have worked so hard to ensure a good year for our children. I am also extremely grateful to you as parents for the support you have offered us as a community.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Bailey Headteacher



