

Bagshot School, School Lane, Bagshot, Surrey. GU19 5BP.

Telephone: 01276 473385 Fax: 01276 451759

e-mail: info@bagshot.surrey.sch.uk website: www.bagshot.surrey.sch.uk

twitter: @BagshotInfant Headteacher: Miss K Aldred

25th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and staying safe. We have had a very busy two weeks, including our *Bagshot World Book Day celebrations*! Thank you for supporting our day with such wonderful and creative costumes. I hope you enjoyed reading the special books every child brought home as well.

This week my newsletter includes updates on our plans for September 2021. Please do take the time to read it through and do not hesitate to get in touch, if you have any questions.

Annual Reports

You will receive your child's annual report on **Friday 2**nd **July**. The government have asked schools to send annual reports to you this year, as we normally would.

Staffing update

As is usual at this time of year we welcome some new staff and wish others goodbye. Mrs Barker will be stepping back from her fulltime class teacher role from September, and I know you will join me in thanking her for her commitment to our school, over a number of years. I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Erin Merton will be joining our teaching staff team, from September and I am sure you will join me in making her feel welcome.

There will be some staffing movements I would like to inform you of: Miss Cheeseman will be moving to Reception to teach Cherry class; Miss Norgate will be moving to Year One to teach Beech class; and finally, Miss March will be moving to Year Two to teach Holly class. Mrs Merton will be joining Year 2 to teach Cedar class.

The full plan of year groups and teachers is outlined below:

Year R	Year 1	Year 2
Maple	Beech	Holly
Mrs Putman	Miss Norgate	Miss March
Cherry	Oak	Cedar
Miss Cheeseman	Miss Greenslade	Mrs Merton

Year One September 2021 Classes

I have taken the decision that our current Reception Year children will move up to Year One, as whole classes this year, as would be our usual practice.

The classes will be moving as detailed:

Current Year R class	New Year One Class	New Year One Class Teacher
Cherry	Oak	Miss Greenslade
Maple	Beech	Miss Norgate

Year Two September 2021 Classes

It is a slightly different situation for our current Year One children. Due to the pandemic these children have been very limited in the opportunities they have had to mix with any other children in school for the past two years. For their well-being and planning further ahead, to their move to Year Three I believe it is sensible to help prepare them now, for those moves by mixing up the current Year One classes. The Year One teachers have looked very closely at how to mix the children, doing their very best to balance the social and academic needs of each child. I appreciate this is not what we would normally do, and not what you are expecting but these past two years has been far from normal for the children and I firmly believe this is in their best interests. Your children will be informed of this decision on Monday 28th June, when they will have the opportunity to meet their new class teacher. They will also bring home a letter for you, detailing which class and teacher they will be joining in Year Two.

Transition visits

Both our current Year R and Year One children will be meeting their new teachers on Monday 28th June. As ever this needs to be done in a COVID-safe way that does not compromise our current bubble model. All children will meet their new teachers outside, at a safe distance. Your child will also come home with a booklet sharing more information about their new class and year group.

September 2021

Like you, I only heard the announcement last week that the government intended to delay the final step of their roadmap, for a further four weeks, until 19th July. I fully understand the need to share our plans with you for September, in terms of daily start times, class bubbles etc. in a timely and accurate manner. I will therefore, as soon as I receive further guidance, write to you again. My intention is for that to be prior the end of term but will of course be dependent upon guidance being issued by the government.

RHS Hampton Court Gardening Festival

Finally, I am pleased to inform you that we have been invited to create a small show garden at this year's RHS Garden Festival, at Hampton Court. With COVID restrictions in mind we have had to select only four children from one Year 2 bubble to accompany us. I am sure you will all join me in hoping they have a lovely time representing the school.

Yours sincerely

Miss K Aldred