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Dear Parents / Carers,



We are now approaching the end of the academic year, and what a year it has been! We have had many successes this year at Red Hall, to name a few, we are well underway with our advances in our OPAL approach to lunchtimes, by making them even more exciting and we have even had a brand new outdoor classroom built to take our learning beyond the classroom. It has also been the 50th anniversary of our school, which we have celebrated throughout the year with our children.

In addition to this, you may / may not be aware that our little school has been a model of good practice for a number of years now, and this year we have continued to provide support and opportunities for other schools in the North East to come and work with us. We pride ourselves on this, and we are always told by visitors how amazing our children are!

We have had some incredible events – family lunches, performances, celebration events, sporting events, sports day, assemblies - and we thank you for your continued support this academic year.

We understand that at this time of year, a big question everyone wants to know the answer to is 'Who will my child's teacher be next year?' and we would like to share our staffing structure for 2023-2024 with you.

From September:

- · We will welcome back Miss Egglestone from her Maternity leave and she will resume her role as a class teacher and Assistant Head.
- · Miss Henry will also be back in class and resume her role as Assistant Head, as Miss Snowdon has now returned from Maternity Leave and will return to her role as Head of School.
- · Mrs Brown, our Year 2 teacher, leaves us to go on her Maternity from the end of September.
- · Mrs Morfoot has returned from her maternity leave and will be supporting within a class from September.

Senior Leadership Team

Role	Teacher
Executive Headteacher	Ms Davidson
Head of School	Miss Snowdon
Assistant Headteacher (KS2 Lead)	Miss Henry
Assistant Headteacher (EYFS and KS1 Lead)	Miss Egglestone
Inclusion Lead	Ms Akers

Staffing Structure 2023-2024

Year Group	<u>Teacher</u>	Support Staff
2 Year Olds	Mrs Bradford	Ms Sewell & Miss Ward
Nursery	Miss Egglestone	Miss Gamble & Mrs Burgess
Reception	Mr Hutton	Mrs Pidgeon
Year 1	Miss Tapaszto	Mrs Morfoot
Year 2	Ms Akers	Miss Piper
Year 3	Miss Rafferty	Miss Hayman & Miss Petty
Year 4	Miss Geach	Miss Clemmons
Year 5	Mr Thompson	Mr Johnston
Year 6	Miss Henry	Miss Waters
STRIVE	Mrs Jaitay	Mrs Hesletine
	Mr Todd	Mr Upex
		Mr Brown

Admin Team

Office Manager	Mrs Denton	Finance
		HR
		Health and Safety
Admin Apprentice	Miss Rennoldson	

Play Team

Mrs Hunter-Hutchinson, Miss Burns, Mrs Blakeburn, Miss Jenkinson, Miss Melville, Mrs Hammond

Premises Staff

Site Manager	Mr French
Cleaning Staff	Louise More, Angela Walker, Caroline Blakeburn, Stacy Hammond

As you can see, there are two new names in our staffing structure for next year! We would like to welcome to our Red Hall family:

• Miss Tapaszto and Miss Geach, who were both successful in being appointed a job with us in September, and will be the Year 1 and Year 4 teachers.

You may also notice that some staff your children have worked with are no longer with us in September:

- Mrs Heseltine who is our lead receptionist has accepted a different role in another school. I am sure
 you will agree everyone has valued Mrs Heseltine greatly. We thank her for all she has done for parents,
 pupils and staff during her time with us at Red Hall and wish her the very best of luck in her new venture!
 We aim to appoint a new admin assistant in the Autumn term.
- Miss Johnston who has worked in our Reception class since returning from Maternity has been successful in getting a job much closer to home. This will be much better for her and her little girl, as she will not be travelling as far each day. We thank her for the many years of hard work and dedication she has given to children in our school and wish her lots of luck for the future.
- Miss Banks who is our current Year 6 teacher has accepted a different role elsewhere and therefore will leave us at the end of the Summer term. We would like to thank her the opportunities she has given our children and the hard work she has put in this year especially when teaching in Year 6.
- Mrs Marshall who has been with us for over 20 years has made the decision to leave teaching and
 focus on other things. We know she will have taught many generations of families in our school, due to
 her working here for a number of years. She has been a consistently firm figure in our school and she will
 be missed by many. We wish her lots of love and luck for the future.
- Mrs Watson, who has also been with us for a number of years, has left and will therefore not be
 returning to our school. We would like to thank her for the role she played in our school and the
 difference she made.

Transition Day for the whole school will be **Monday 17**th **July**. We ask that our current Year 2 class enter through the Key Stage 2 entrance, on the Key Stage 2 yard. The children will then be released from this entrance at the end of the school day. Starting and finishing times will remain the same.

Year 6 pupils are still expected to be in school that day, as Miss Banks will still be here to teach them.

Transition details for our Early Years children (including Reception) have been communicated.

Thank you.

The Team at Red Hall





















