



Dear parents,

We hope you and all the children are safe and well. As we now have a bit more clarity from the Government regarding next year, we are able to start to plan September with a bit more detail.

Usually at this time, we would have held 'transition days' where all the classes moved up and spent a morning with their new teacher. As we are unable to do this, we are going to try to coordinate something quite ambitious!

We are arranging Zoom sessions, where each teacher will host their current class in order to say goodbye, and then the new teacher will join to say hello!

The meetings are completely voluntary, and if you do not wish for your child to participate, that is fine. The list of the new class teachers is below.

If you would like your child to participate, please see the details below.

- Download the Zoom app on to your phone, tablet or computer <https://zoom.us/download>
- The teachers are currently liaising to coordinate a date and time for each meeting. These will start from Thursday 9th July and go into the following week. All meetings will be after 4.00pm
- Once we have the date and time for each meeting, **the meeting ID and password will be sent as a text message to each class.**
- At the time, you just need to enter these details into Zoom and you will be admitted into a 'Waiting room' to then be admitted into the meeting by the host teacher.
- The children will be set to 'mute' as default
- If possible, can each child make a poster of their name and on the poster, write one fact about themselves e.g. favourite book, hobby, sports club etc. They can hold this up during the meeting
- The teachers will lead the meetings, and may 'unmute' some children to talk about their fact
- The teachers will be recording the meetings for the purpose of safeguarding

Rules for the meetings

- Parents must be present in the room when a Zoom meeting is taking place
- Your child must be dressed (no pyjamas) and in a room in the house (not bathroom / not bedroom)
- When you join the meeting on Zoom you will wait in the waiting room and your teacher will let you in.
- Always be polite in the Zoom sessions – behave how you would in school lessons.
- If you want to write a question or a message in the chat function this is fine. Please ensure that comments and questions are appropriate and polite.



- Your teacher will mute, or remove from the Zoom, anyone who is not following our school rules
- Be respectful and listen when others are talking.
- **Do not record or take screenshots of Zoom meetings to respect the privacy of and to safeguard other children.**

We also ask that, as parents, you check you are happy with the terms and conditions and privacy policy of Zoom before allowing your child to take part in the sessions, as this is a platform that we wouldn't normally use in the teaching sector. We understand if you do not wish your child to take part in the session then this is fine as it is not compulsory.

Zoom are a GDPR compliant company. You can find more information here: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/360000126326-Official-Statement-EU-GDPR-Compliance>

Next class teachers

Current class	September 2020
Mrs Page (1P)	Miss Waring (2SW)
Mrs Davies (1D)	Mrs Weate (2VW)
Mrs Weate (2W)	Mrs Burley/Mrs Summers (3BS)
Miss Waring (3W)	Miss Ward/Mrs Ward (4W)
Mrs Ward/Mrs Summers (3SW)	Mr Carney (4C)
Mrs Burley/Miss Ward (4BW)	Mrs Wale (5W)
Mr Carney (4C)	Mrs Finlay (5F)
Mrs Finlay (5F)	Mrs Corr (6C)
Mrs Wale (5W)	Mr Nayland (6N)

As we have moved to operating our EYFS unit as a mixed setting, rather than separate classes, the current F2 children moving up to Year 1 will be split into two even classes. Mrs Lester and Miss Langley have done this, taking into account friendship groups etc. We will let you know which teacher your child will have. Therefore for the current F2 children, the meeting will be one meeting with all F2 children, and all the staff – Mrs Lester and Miss Langley as current teachers, and Mrs Page and Miss Pickstock (new teacher owing to Mrs Davies leaving St Joseph's) in one session.

We hope you and the children enjoy this opportunity to 'see' their current teacher and 'meet' their new one, albeit in a remote way! We really cannot wait to see them in person in September! Now that we have the guidance from the Government, I will write to you again with further details about starting next year.

Best wishes

Mr Turner