

26th June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We can barely believe that another academic year has almost come to a close. As we look forward to the new year, we always take time to reflect on the past year – the celebrations, the challenges and all we have learned – children and adults alike.

We want to reach out and thank all of our families for their support and thank the children for bringing such joy, curiosity, questions, laughter, care and happiness into school with them each day. It is a privilege to serve the children and families in our community and to do all we can to support them and provide a meaningful, enriched curriculum where every child has the opportunity to flourish.

It has been an exceptionally busy year at Shalfleet, with a fantastic SIAMS inspection result, developing our grounds, introducing our new signage whilst driving school improvement and working with existing and new families. We have been very pleased with the progress we have made this year and the many opportunities provided for the children. As we continue with our final half term of this academic year, we wanted to update you on the staffing structure for next year.

We are very fortunate across the Federation to have an exceptional team of highly skilled staff who continue to want to be part of what the Federation can offer. As our teachers develop within their professional development, we want to provide them with challenge, change and opportunity. As a result, we have been able to carefully match staff skill to the dynamics of each class across the Federation and affect some positive changes with the children at the heart of all we do.

Therefore, we have some staffing changes to make you aware of as we move into the next academic year.

Leadership

Mrs Westhorpe will continue to be the Federation Deputy Headteacher with responsibility for Inclusion, Behaviour and Management and EYFS. Mrs Westhorpe will work closely alongside myself to drive Federation improvement. Within the Inclusion team, we are ably supported by Mrs Heather Eggleton as the Inclusion Officer. I know many families have worked closely with Mrs Westhorpe and Mrs Eggleton this year, they look forward to developing this work into 2023/24.

We will also continue with our model of Duty Lead positions on each site. The Duty Leads will drive aspects of Federation improvement and be on call in the absence of the Head teacher and/or Deputy Head teacher to ensure the smooth running of our schools.

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Mrs Thompson will remain the School Lead at Shalfleet, with Mr Cook continuing in his role at Freshwater and Yarmouth.

Federation Moves

Mrs Reid will be moving across to Freshwater and Yarmouth to provide her with opportunities across the Federation to develop in her skills as an Early Career Teacher.

Go Green!

We are pleased to announce that Ms Gates will be continuing with the Outdoor Learning model into next year. I know this is a popular area of the curriculum and many children have developed their motor skills, team building skills and confidence through these lessons. Alongside this, Mrs Smith is going to be leading PSHE and JLT sessions to build upon the skills taught in Outdoor Learning.

We are developing our Sport's Team with a new Sports Coach (TBC) who will be leading PE sessions and organising extracurricular events and competitions alongside Mr Roberts, our PE leader.

Class	Teacher	Support Staff Range of roles – 1:1, Interventions, TA support
Reception	Mrs Hedley	Mrs Munn (HLTA) Mrs Cox
Year 1	Mrs Thurman	Mrs Munn (HLTA) Mrs Swift Mrs Angel Mrs Brett Hill (HLTA)
Year 2	Mrs Thompson	Mrs Cuff (HLTA) Ms Cowdry (ELSA)
Year 3	Mrs Chick	Mrs Blackburn (HLTA)
Year 4	Mrs Blackley	Ms Heimour
Year 5	Mr Roberts	Mrs Cuff (HLTA)
Year 6	Ms Issac Mrs Lewis	Ms Lucas

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We are looking forward to starting a new, positive academic year with our wonderful children and families. We hope you have a wonderful Summer.

With warmest regards,

-S.G

Mrs Grainger Headteacher

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