



Shalfleet Church of England

Primary School

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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 visit from OFSTED, developing our EYFS area, repainting the Hall and Corridor, 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 continues to be the Federation Deputy Headteacher with responsibility for Inclusion and Behaviour Management. 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 2024/25.

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.

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

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## Farewells

We are very sad to announce that Mrs Hedley (Reception Class Teacher) has made the difficult decision to take early retirement due to family commitments. It has been a pleasure to have Mrs Hedley with us over the last few years. She has been instrumental in settling children into our school so well and providing them with a fantastic footing for their future learning.

This year, we also say farewell to one of the longest serving members of staff at Shalfleet C.E. Primary School, as Mrs Blackburn has decided to retire. Mrs Blackburn has served the school since 2005, she has worked in a number of roles at the school from Mealtime Supervisor to Higher Level Teaching Assistant. Through her time, she has supported the learning of hundreds of children and been essential to the smooth running of the school. We will miss her 'Words of Wisdom' slot in Collective Worship.

We wish both members of staff the very best for a long and happy retirement.

## Welcomes

We are delighted to welcome Miss Knight, an enthusiastic teacher, early in her career, to come and teach Year 1. Miss Knight is very creative – especially with crafts and I know she is looking forward to meeting the whole community – especially the children!

We also welcome Miss Sexton to the Reception Class team – she is going to be supporting children 1:1. She has wanted to come and work at Shalfleet C.E. Primary for a long time and we are so pleased to be able to secure her position with us! She has a passion for supporting children with additional needs.

## 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 delighted to continue developing our PE curriculum with our Sports Coach, Mr Pilcher, who will be leading PE sessions and organising extracurricular events and competitions alongside Mr Roberts, our PE leader.

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**Shalfleet Staffing:**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Support Staff Range of roles – 1:1, Interventions, TA support</b>
Reception	Mrs Thurman Mrs Westhorpe	Mrs Munn (HLTA) Mrs Cox Mrs Whittle Mrs Sexton
Year 1	Miss Knight	Mrs Swift Mrs Brett Hill (HLTA)
Year 2	Mrs Thompson	Ms Cowdrey Mrs Waldock Ms Heimour
Year 3	Mrs Blackley	Ms Lucas
Year 4	Mrs Chick Mrs Lewis	Ms Gibbins Ms Cowdrey Mrs Waldock
Year 5	Ms Isaac	Mr Gutch Ms Heimour Ms Lucas
Year 6	Mr Roberts	Mrs Cuff (HLTA)

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,

Mrs Grainger  
Headteacher

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