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Thursday 20th July 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support this year. It's been, once again, a very busy, and rather successful one, across the whole school. The Reception and Year One outcomes are better than last year, along with maths across the whole school which has improved and is possibly going to be above national levels. Our reading and writing outcomes continue to be a focus for next year as we embark on the Primary Writing Project across the whole school. Further information will be available in the coming months on the website and in future newsletters.

I am writing to inform you of some changes to the staffing structure for September, and this too will be available in the foyer, on noticeboards and on the website for your information. There will be some changes in Nursery after October half term with Mrs Lawson-Perfect and Mrs Hussain leaving to begin each of their maternity leaves at about the same time. Mrs Jobson and newly appointed nursery nurses, Mrs Van Rossen and Mrs Simpson, will be providing support and cover from September 2017 for the year. Miss Hassan, following a very successful year in 2016-17, will be leading the team in early years and will be teaching in Reception. We are very excited about this. Miss Morgan is leaving us this year as she moves to a new school to start in September where she will teach in Reception. We thank her for everything she has done for all of us and wish her all the very best with her new appointment.

Mrs Blashford is also leaving us to pastures new, as she takes up a secondment at Canning Street. We'd like to extend our thanks to her for all her hard work here and wish her a very successful time supporting WEST. We welcome Miss Armstrong who will be working with Mrs Rutter and her team in Year Two from September.

We also say goodbye to Mr Sweet, who has decided to retire this year. He has worked with us for many years and he will be a huge miss to the team. But we know he has lots of plans to travel around the country with his caravan, taking advantage of less congestion on the roads during term time. We wish him all the best, and we are sure that he will come back to visit us from time to time.

Mrs Brunnock will also be leaving Wingrove at the end of this year, as she has secured a new appointment as a teaching assistant in a school closer to where she lives. Whilst we are extremely sad to lose her, we understand her decision, and wish her all the very best



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in her new post. We welcome Mrs Fairholm who joins Wingrove and the Key Stage One team from September.

We also welcome Mr Wilson to the Year Five team. He has spent time with us this term working closely with Ms West, Mrs Alexander and Mr Barker and is very excited to be joining us next year. Ms West and Mrs Alexander will be working across the school to support teaching and learning, focusing on specific areas on the School Improvement Plan.

From September we will have three teachers and therefore three classes in Year Six: Ms McCarthy, Miss Hopper and Miss Pemberton. Obviously, the children will have times when they are together as two groups, but this will mainly happen in the afternoons. We shall then be using the additional teaching staff to support very small groups of children who will be withdrawn for mastery and booster intervention sessions, which will ensure that the children are given the very best opportunity to reach their full potential. We hope to be able to continue with this arrangement in the future, but it all depends on costs and the school's budget.

Finally, we also say good bye and thank you to Rob who has been our crossing patrol officer for a long time. Cuts to the council's budget has meant that the role of crossing patrol officer is no longer being funded and the numbers have therefore been reduced drastically across Newcastle. We would like to thank Rob for his work with us, especially during the horrible weather! He will be taking up a new job working beside Hawthorn primary School from September.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy, healthy summer break, and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday September 4th, 2017.

As always, if you have any questions about the information in this letter, please feel free to make an appointment to speak with Ms West or me, or speak to one of us when we are outside school in the morning between 0845 and 0855.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jane Mullarkey