



CHAPMANSLADE CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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environment.



2nd July 2021

Dear Parents,

I have taken a number of factors into consideration when planning the staffing structure for the 2021/22 academic year. The most important factor has been how we can continue to mitigate the disruption to our children's education caused by two periods of national school closure over the previous year and a half.

My team and I have considered how we can ensure continuity for as many pupils as possible, and provide the opportunity for any remaining gaps in learning to be taught alongside the curriculum for the year ahead. We felt that minimising movement between established classes, and not splitting year groups, was the best way to achieve our aims.

The new class structure will therefore be as follows:

Blossom YR/Y1	Willow Y2/3	Oak Y4/5	Redwood Y6
Mrs McDowall (M,T,W) & Mrs Smith (Th, F)	Ms Holloway	Mr Cottrell	Miss Dyer
Mrs Hopkins (M,T,W) & Ms Hyde (Th, F)	Mrs Harris	Mrs Hale	Mrs Allen
Remain in current Blossom classroom	Move to current Redwood classroom	Remain in current Oak classroom	Move to current Willow classroom

Here are some important additional notes for each class -

Blossom Class

Mrs Smith and Mrs McDowall are looking forward to the transition visits for the new to YR pupils on Friday 3rd September. The new class will come together for the first time on Monday 6th September.

All current reception pupils will move up to year 1 in Blossom. These pupils are already familiar with Mrs McDowall, Mrs Smith and the Blossom classroom routines. This will help to smooth the move into key stage 1.

Willow Class

We have moved the new Willow class to the bigger of the two classrooms in the lower building to reflect the class sizes. Willow will have the use of the cloakroom outside their new classroom. Mrs Holloway is looking forward to getting the new classroom set up ready for September.

Year 1 pupils currently in Blossom have been spending play times with Ms Holloway, Mrs Harris and the children already in Willow to help them integrate into their new class. Ms Holloway continues to self-isolate on the instruction of NHS Test and Trace so we shall not mix the classes for moving up day next week.

Oak Class

Oak will remain in their current spacious classroom. Mr Cottrell is excited to be joining them and will spend moving up day with the children.

Redwood Class

The smaller than usual Redwood class will move into the current Willow classroom for their final year at Chapmanslade. Miss Dyer joins our permanent staff in September and is very much looking forward to spending the day with our new year 6s next Tuesday for moving up day.

Our teachers and teaching assistants are carefully planning and preparing for the return of pupils currently on roll in September unless a parent has informed us that their child is leaving. If your child will not be returning in September, please inform me as soon as possible to help me to plan ahead.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Mrs Chapman', written in black ink.

Mrs Chapman