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Dear Parents,

Classes and Teachers Next Year – 2026- 2027

Next Year, our class structure in school will be as follows:

- Wrens Class – Reception – Mrs Bancroft-Turner
- Robins Class – Year 1 – Miss Harwood / Miss Willows
- Swallows Class – Year 2 – Mr Quant
- Owls Class – Year 3 – Miss Hellen
- Swans Class – Year 4 and Year 5 – Miss Johnson (Youngest Year 5s)
- Herons Class – Year 5 and Year 6 – Mr Richardson (Oldest Year 5s)

Due to the number of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6, and the availability of only two classes in which to accommodate them, we have made the decision to allocate Year 5 pupils between the Swans and Herons classes based on age. If your child, going into Year 5, was born before 1st March 2017 (the oldest Year 5's), they will be in Herons class and if your child, going into Year 5, was born after 1st March 2017 (the youngest Year 5's), they will be staying in Swans class.

For English and Mathematics, pupils from Years 4, 5 and 6 will be grouped according to their attainment levels. This approach ensures that all children are taught at an appropriate level and are suitably supported and challenged in their learning. These groupings will remain flexible, allowing pupils to move between groups as needed to best support their progress across different topics within each subject.

This structure is designed to support a smooth transition to secondary education, where pupils will experience learning in different groups and classrooms across a range of subjects.

All Year 5 pupils, regardless of whether they are in Swans or Herons, will have equal access to opportunities. This includes positions of responsibility, educational visits, sporting events, and extra-curricular clubs.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely

C. Willows

Miss Claire Willows
Headteacher