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STAFFING AND CLASSES FOR 2025-2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the year comes to an end, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank parents and carers for their continued support over this academic year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year at Ecclesfield Primary, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, parents and carers and the children for a wonderful first year as Head of School.

This letter is to inform you of the staffing changes and the class arrangements for next academic year.

I am pleased to announce that we will be welcoming some new staff to our wonderful team. I hope that you will join us in welcoming them to Ecclesfield Primary.

Staff joining our team

- Miss Stowell will be joining our team as a Year 6 teacher. She is currently working at a school in Coventry, and she is very excited to be joining us. She is an experienced Y6 teacher who will add a wealth of knowledge and experience to our team. She loves using drama and debate within lessons and keeping pupils active. Miss Stowell is getting married over the summer, so she will be joining our team as Mrs English.
- Miss Fidler will be joining us as a Year 1 teacher for this academic year. Having worked in another local school, she is excited to become a part of the Ecclesfield team. Miss Fidler has a real passion for her children and helping them grow, learn and achieve. She wants to leave lasting memories with her pupils, just as she had from her primary school teachers.

Both new staff members will be taking part in some of our transition activities to get to know the children and the school before September.



Staff who are leaving

- Mrs Ingram, who has been our EYFS lead, will be leaving Ecclesfield Primary. We would like to wish her all the best. She has very much enjoyed her time at Ecclesfield Primary School. She has made some fond memories here and has loved working with the children, families and the teaching team.
- Miss Pearson, who has been the Y5 class teacher whilst Mrs Gething is on maternity leave, has secured a post at another school, and we wish her all the best for her future career.
- Mr Tompkins, who has worked across KS2, has secured his first teaching position for September. We wish him all the best in his new school and his future career.

And, of course, we cannot miss out the retirement of Mrs Eagleton. We cannot thank her enough for her hard work and dedication over the years. She will be missed in all aspects of the school, and we all wish her the absolute best in her retirement.

Marriages

- Miss Lawrence got married over the May half term, so she will be using her married name from September – **Mrs Fothergill**.
- Miss Ashall, who got married in December, will also be using her married name from September 2025 – **Mrs Casterton**.
- Miss Jones will be getting married in the summer, and she will be known as **Mrs Micklethwaite**.

Congratulations to all staff who have celebrated their wedding this year!

Maternity Leave updates

- Miss Naylor will be beginning her maternity leave at the start of September. We wish her and her family all the best.
- Mrs Gething will be returning from her maternity leave in the autumn term. She will be taking over from Mrs Oldham when she leaves for her maternity leave around October half term. We wish Mrs Oldham and her family all the best. Mrs Gething will be teaching 3 days a week. Mrs Travers will be working with Mrs Gething as a job share in Year 5.
- Mrs Harland will be returning from her maternity leave in the autumn term.

We look forward to welcoming both Mrs Harland and Mrs Gething back with us.



Classes for 2025-2026

After carefully considering ability groups, friendship groups, additional needs and differing personalities as well as social, cultural and gender differences, we have decided that we will be re-organising the Year 1 pupils as they enter Year 2.

Classes for 2025-2026

Current Class	New Class	New Class Teacher
FSP	YIN	Miss Nelson
FSIL	YIF	Miss Fidler (new teacher)
YIN	Y1 classes will be mixed to form the new Y2 classes. Children will have the opportunity this week to indicate four children that they work well with and wish to stay in class with. Each child will be with at least one of their chosen friends in Y2. Parents, carers and children will be informed of their child's new class towards the end of next week. The class teachers for Y2 will be Miss Barrett and Mrs Hill (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) alongside Mrs Wilson (Thursday, Friday)	
YIB		
Y2OT	Y3GS	Miss Garner - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Mrs Stott - Thursday, Friday
Y2HW	Y3W	Mr Wells
Y3GS	Y4R	Miss Robinson
Y3W	Y4L	Miss Latham
Y4R	Y5W	Mr Walker
Y4L	Y5OT	Mrs Oldham - Monday, Tuesday Mrs Travers - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Y5P	Y6FH	Mrs Fothergill (Miss Lawrence) Mrs Howford - Friday only
Y5W	Y6E	Mrs English (new teacher)

Over the next few weeks, all members of staff will be making themselves known to their new class in preparation for our transition sessions in July.

- Wednesday 2nd July - Whole-School Transition afternoon
- Thursday 3rd July - Whole-School Transition afternoon
- Friday 11th July - Whole-School Transition morning
- Tuesday 15th July - Parents and Carers meeting with the new class teachers (3.30pm-4.30pm)

Additional transition opportunities for children with SEND will be planned in for identified children.

Please do not hesitate to contact school if you have any further questions.

Mrs Robinson, Head of School

