

Dereham Church of England Junior Academy

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Classes for September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've reached that time of year where we start to make plans for September 2020 and, as with everything else at the moment, we will be doing this slightly differently to usual. We feel that it's very important to make you aware of arrangements for September as soon as possible and this communication will be the first of many as we try to prepare you as best as we can for the next academic year.

The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of which class your child will be in next year.

Firstly, below is a table that shows you which teachers and TAs will be in each year group as well as the names of the classes for next year:

Y3	¥4	Y5	¥6
Curie Class -	Babbage Class -	Wilberforce Class -	Bevan Class -
Mr King (Year Leader)	Miss Guy-Ragan (Year	Mrs Bunkle (Year Leader)	Mr Wade (Year Leader)
Miss Mitchell (HLTA)	Leader)	Mrs Ramm (HLTA)	Mrs Williams (TA)
	A N Other (HLTA)		
Keller Class –	Parks Class –	Frank Class -	Shakespeare Class -
Mrs Crawford (Teacher)	Mr Lyons: Mon	Mrs Swetman: Mon – Thu	Mrs Waymouth: Mon –
Mrs Macfarlane (TA)	Miss McKay: Tues – Fri	Mr Dack: Fri (Teachers)	Wed
	(Teachers)	Miss Atkins (TA)	Mrs Hook: Thurs – Fri
	Mrs Thurghill (TA)		(Teachers)
			Mrs Fraser (TA)
Einstein Class -	Nightingale Class -	Da Vinci Class –	Gibson Class -
Mr Blenkin (Teacher)	Mr Jenkinson (Teacher)	Miss Gray (Teacher)	Mr Allott (Teacher)
Mrs Ellis (TA)	Mrs Trumm (TA)	Mrs Guymer (TA)	Mrs Kendall (HLTA)
Owens Class -	Dickens Class -		Austen Class –
Mrs Lee: Mon - Tues	Mrs Bodiam (Teacher)		Mrs Henman: Mon – Tues
Mrs Gardiner: Weds – Fri	Mrs Postle (TA)		Mrs Stuart-Sheppard:
(Teachers)			Weds – Fri (Teachers)
Mrs O'Sullivan (TA)			Mrs Wilcock (TA)
Mrs Thorp (TA) will be work	king in Years 3 and 4		

You may notice a few things from the information above:

- 1. The current Year 4 will be in 3 classes next year. The class sizes will be 32 and will not exceed that
- 2. A number of teachers will be moving year groups next year
- 3. We are really fortunate to keep the same staff we had before Easter, no-one has left (we already made you aware of Miss herring and Mr Turner leaving us for pastures new before the Easter break).



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Your child's teacher next year

As you are aware, this year has been disrupted significantly by COVID-19 and your child has had less than two terms of teaching in their current class. It is for this reason, that with the exception of Dickens Class, every class group will stay the same as they move up to the next year group.

This table shows the class the children are in now \rightarrow and the class they are moving to. The movement of classes is as follows:

Year 3 to Year 4	Year 4 to Year 5	Year 5 to Year 6
Einstein → Babbage (Miss Guy- Ragan)	Babbage → Wilberforce (Mrs Bunkle)	Wilberforce → Bevan (Mr Wade)
Curie → Nightingale (Mr Jenkinson)	Parks → Da Vinci (Miss Gray)	Da Vinci → Austen (Mrs Henman and Mrs Stuart-Sheppard)
Keller → Dickens (Mrs Bodiam)	Nightingale → Frank (Mrs Swetman and Mr Dack)	Pankhurst → Gibson (Mr Allott)
Owens → Parks (Miss McKay and	Dickens \rightarrow Will be split between	Frank → Shakespeare (Mrs
Mr Lyons)	the 3 classes above	Waymouth and Mrs Hook)

From the table above, you will notice that with the exception of Dickens Class and Mrs Bodiam, the current Year 4 teachers are keeping their classes as they move into year 5. Dickens Class has been split between the three classes taking into consideration many factors including friendships and working relationships.

Parents and carers of Dickens Class will be contacted via MyEd or text message soon after this letter has been sent.

Transition

In previous years, we have always ensured that your children meet their new class teachers before they leave for the Summer holidays. We would have loved nothing more than to do this, but, despite the easing of some restrictions in school, we were not able to find a solution where this was possible. However, we have planned several fun activities that will enable your child to get to know their new teacher that will take place during the week beginning 13th July. Normal home learning that week will not take place so that the children can solely focus on finding out about their new teacher. Keep your eyes peeled for more information about this!

As mentioned at the start of this letter, there will be more correspondence about September coming your way over the next few weeks. We are still waiting on lots of information from the Government about many things, but early signs are clear that all pupils will return to school from the start of the Autumn Term. Once we receive further clarification on the specific details, and know what this means for our school community, we will of course update you further.

Many thanks for your continued support and patience at this difficult time. Stay safe,

All the staff at Dereham Church of England Junior Academy