



Phoenix St. Peter Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Teaching Team updates

Further to my letter on Friday, Mr. Culpin and myself have been planning with our Governors on how to provide stability within the teaching team for Phoenix St. Peter Academy, and we are delighted to confirm the following appointments.

Reception Class – Woodpecker Class

We would like to congratulate Mrs. Cordeaux on her permanent appointment as Reception Class Teacher, with Mrs. Henry moving permanently to St. Margaret's Primary Academy as Early Years Leader and Assistant Headteacher in the new year. I would like to thank Mrs. Henry for all her hard work for our school and children, she has made a terrific contribution to Phoenix and I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best in her new and exciting role in a much larger school. We are very fortunate that Mrs. Henry will continue to help support Mrs. Cordeaux and our school in continuing to develop and improve our Early Years provision next year.

Years 1 and 2 – Kestrel Class

Miss. Bennett will be leaving us at the end of this term as she has a new teaching position closer to home, and we would like to thank her for all her hard work this term. Next term, Mrs. Hayes (one of our experienced class teachers and English leader), and Mrs. Taylor (a very experienced Key Stage 1 teacher, who took the class in September), will teach the class; supported by the experienced Miss Batty.

Year 3 – Finch Class and Year 4 – Owl Class

Ms. Martin and Miss. Smith have both been appointed permanently to the Phoenix teaching team. We are delighted that they have committed their long-term futures to our children and school, congratulations!

Year 5 – Eagles 1 and 2 Classes

I am delighted to say that Mr. Moore has been appointed to remain with Phoenix for the rest of this year and going forwards, this will allow us to continue with the additional class for Year 5; congratulations to him too. Mrs. Cox will continue with Eagles 1 but will be partnered next term with Mrs. Harris on Mondays, who is a very experienced teacher of Year 5s in other local schools.



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Year 6 – Kingfisher Class

Miss. Khatri and Mrs. Everett will continue working with our Year 6 class. Miss. Khatri, our Assistant Headteacher, teaching them 3 days a week and Mr. Draper two days a week next term. Mr. Draper has done a terrific job this term in Year 5 and is a very experienced teacher.

Reminders

- After-School and ESCape! Clubs will continue to run this week.
- Reception Nativity Thursday 16th December, 2.15pm in Hall – 2 adults per child, everyone wears masks and please take a Lateral Flow Test before coming to school. These are Public Health Suffolk rules.
- Last day of term is Friday 17th December, school finishes normal time at 3:15p.m.
- Wednesday 5th January 2022 – first day back for all children.
- Friday 18th February 2022 – this will be an additional school closure day for all children as agreed by the Department for Education and is in lieu for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee which falls in May half term. Suffolk County Council have asked all Suffolk schools to take this day, as Spring is the longest term and Norfolk half-term falls that week.

Mr. Culpin and I hope that this brings further reassurance to you that our school now has a stable and strong staffing structure. We are very much looking forward to the New Year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for their support this term and to wish all our children, staff and families a safe and happy Christmas break.

Kind regards,

ML Jordan

Mr. Matthew Jordan
Associate Headteacher