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Tuesday 20th June 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: teaching arrangements for class 2JW as they move into year 3

This letter expands further with regard staffing for next term, with information we did not have ready when we wrote out with class deployment earlier this term.

In the previous last week, I stated that our intention is to recruit a senior leader who will also become class teacher to the current 2JW class cohort. This is still very much our intention – your child's class will be taught by a senior and experienced school leader. However, our first recruitment round was unsuccessful and advice from our recruitment consultant is that we now delay recruitment and run a second process in the autumn ready for a January 2018 start date. This to get the best possible field of candidates to teach at Riverside. We will get on with this process as soon as we return after the summer – adverts etc are already drafted. You will of course be kept informed as we progress this appointment and wherever possible, once an appointment has been made, you will have both formal and informal opportunities to meet with the new teacher well before their start date next January.

In the interim, we are delighted to have arranged for Ms Sarah Cade to teach the current class 2JW cohort for the autumn term. The class will therefore initially be known as 3SC.

Ms Cade has already taught very successfully in school on several occasions and we have both observed her teaching and met with her to explore our expectations for this placement. She will have full handover meetings with Miss Wright, spend time 'team teaching' in class 2JW and will attend all transition events including the 'changeover day' on 6th July. Ms Cade will be at the 'welcome to year 3' information evening to which you are all invited on 17th July at 6pm as well as being available to meet informally at the Celebration of Work Evening on 21st June from 4.30pm (she will be in classroom 2JW to meet that evening).

It is never ideal to have changes of teaching staff during the year, but you have our assurance that we will work very hard to ensure the class still has a smooth beginning to the academic year and that each handover point is effectively managed.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "I Yapp".

Ian Yapp
Headteacher



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