



15th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Staffing Update

I am writing to inform you of some exciting staffing updates within school.

Mrs Charlotte Bray has requested to reduce her working days to improve her work-life balance, and so following the February half-term break, she will be reducing her working days to three days per week. We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Kerry Thorne to the teaching team, who will be joining Charlotte in a job-share arrangement in Rabbit Class (Year2) . Kerry will teach on Mondays and Tuesdays, with Charlotte continuing from Wednesday to Friday.

We are extremely pleased to be able to appoint Kerry to this role. She brings a wealth of experience, is a highly regarded and skilled teacher, and is already well known to our school community. We are confident that this arrangement will provide excellent continuity and high-quality teaching for the children in Rabbit Class.

The job-share will commence after the February half-term break, and we will be carefully planning the transition between now and then to ensure it is as smooth and supportive as possible for the children. In addition to her teaching role, Kerry will continue her current role as a Teaching Assistant in school on Thursdays and Fridays.

I am also pleased to share that we will be welcoming Michelle (Shelly) Smith to our Operations team from Tuesday 13th January. Shelly joins us from an education background and I am sure she will quickly settle into her role, working closely with Nic and Jacqui to support the day-to-day running of the office and the administrative arrangements within school.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Shelley Kent
Headteacher