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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of the academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. Your partnership plays a vital role in your child's learning and helps make WFS Academy a positive, inclusive and nurturing place for all.

I am writing to share some information regarding staffing for the 2026–2027 academic year.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Kerry Low, who will be leaving our teaching team at the end of this academic year. Kerry has been a valued member of staff and a wonderful teacher during her time at Wedmore First School Academy, and we are incredibly grateful for her dedication and contribution to our school community.

Our teaching team for the 2026–2027 academic year will be:

- Robin Class – Mrs Claire Tratt
- Deer Class – Miss Caitlin Podbury
- Rabbit Class – Mrs Charlotte Bray and Mrs Kerry Thorne
- Squirrel Class – Miss Charlie Kent
- Owl Class – Mrs Emily Young and Mrs Jane Rawles

Mrs Rawles will be providing teaching cover during Terms 1 and 2 while we recruit an additional teacher for the class. Mrs Rawles is an experienced teacher who has worked with us over the past year, and many of the children already know her well. We are delighted to have her supporting Owl Class during this period.

In terms of support staff, I am currently finalising arrangements to ensure that all children and year groups receive the support they need. I will confirm Teaching Assistant allocations within the next few weeks.

Transition Arrangements

To help your child feel confident and prepared for the year ahead, we will be holding the following transition activities during the final weeks of term:



Storytime Session - Tuesday 22 June

The new teacher will visit the class, introduce themselves and share a story with the children.

"Getting to Know You" Session - Thursday 25 June

Teachers will share a short presentation about themselves, and children will have the opportunity to introduce themselves and share their interests. During this session, children will visit their new classroom.

Transition Day - Wednesday 1 July

Children will spend time in their new classroom (or, for Year 4 pupils, visit their new school), meet their teacher and classmates, and work together to establish class expectations and routines for September.

We will also be hosting a parent information session early in the Autumn term. This will provide an opportunity to learn more about classroom routines, expectations and ways in which we can work together to support your child's learning.

We look forward to another rewarding year ahead and greatly appreciate your continued support. If you have any questions regarding your child's class placement or any aspect of the new school year, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,



Shelley Kent
Headteacher

