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Dear Families,

As we begin to approach the end of the current school year, I wanted to take a moment to explain the staffing arrangements for September 2025.

Mrs Downer is leaving to pursue pastures new, and we wish her all success. However, this means that Miss Austin, who currently teaches in Year 4, will be moving down to teach KS1, leaving a vacancy in Year 4. We recently held interviews for this position; however, on this occasion, we did not make an appointment.

At Holy Cross, we are fully committed to ensuring we have the right person for the role — someone who will be inspirational and aspirational for your child, and who will uphold the values and high expectations of our school community. We believe it is important to take the time to appoint the very best teacher for the class, rather than making a decision that does not fully meet our standards.

We will continue to work hard to secure the right candidate and will keep you updated as soon as there is further information about staffing arrangements.

Transition day is on the 8th July this year. Your child will have the opportunity to spend some time in their new classroom, and just for this day, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Downer will be teaching.

If you have any further questions about next year, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to working together in the year ahead.

Kind regards,

Mrs Lucie Banks Headteacher

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Reception	Mrs Sarah Wild	Mrs Emma Rayner
Year 1	Miss Charlotte Austin	Mrs Emma Wood
Year 2	Miss Emma Cordon	Miss Megan Sharpe Miss Macey Blackwell 2x mornings
Year 1/2 afternoons only	Miss Charlotte Austin	Mrs Emma Wood Miss Megan Sharpe Miss Macey Blackwell
Year 3	Mrs Rachel Thomas	Miss Macey Blackwell 3x mornings
Year 4	Teacher to be appointed	Miss Jenny Taylor
Year 5	Miss Alice Sprake	Mrs Colette Long to provide interventions where necessary
Year 6	Mrs Lizzy Downey	Mrs Colette Long