



Holy Cross Catholic Primary

*One School Family, Achieving Together,
Anchored in the Love of Christ*



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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, and to inform you of the decision to continue our mixed Year 1 and 2 class during the afternoons.

We have a great team of experienced and dedicated teachers to lead your child's educational journey, and each teacher brings a unique set of skills and expertise that will ensure pupils receive the best possible learning experience.

Mrs Downer is leaving us to explore pastures new, and we wish her all success. Therefore, Miss Austin will be moving from Year 4 to teach Year 1 in the mornings supported by Mrs Wood, and to teach and lead the mixed Year 1 and 2 class in the afternoons, supported by Mrs Wood, Miss Sharpe and Miss Blackwell.

Miss Austin is experienced in KS1 and is accomplished at planning and delivering work to match the needs of all learners in a mixed class, skilfully providing challenge for the more able children, and support for those needing more help.

Whilst the children will be in a mixed-class for the afternoons, there will also be lots of opportunities to work as individual year groups, for example, children will be taking PE in separate Year 1 and 2 classes.

Transition day is on the 8th July this year. On this day your child will have the opportunity to spend some time in their new classrooms, with their new teachers and teaching assistants. This is an excellent chance for children to 'try out' next year in advance and supports their transition for September. Your child will also be bringing home a transition document for you all to share over the holidays, to hopefully help alleviate any worries or concerns your child might have around moving into Year 1.

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