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Dear Parents & Carers,

Where has the last year gone? I can't believe we are approaching the final weeks of school. What a year it has been! It has been a really busy and successful year and I would like to thank you all for your continued support throughout this time as we try to remember what 'normal' is.

I hope this letter finds you and your families fit and well. I thought it was pertinent timing to give you a few updates and reminders as we near the end of term.

Reports

Next Friday, your child will be bringing home their summer term report. Please can you ensure you complete the online form to confirm receipt of the report at your earliest convenience. If you wish to discuss anything in the report with your child's teacher, please contact them directly or ring the school office.

Staffing changes

It is with much sadness that we say a very fond farewell to several special members of our team who are leaving us this summer, Mrs Harding, Mrs Sanchez and Miss Miller. Everyone at school would like to extend a huge thank you to them for all they have done for our school during their time here, their passion and commitment have been exceptional. After 25 years teaching, 10 of which have been here at Burton Joyce, Mrs Harding is leaving the classroom and will be taking on a new role for Nottingham City Council in which she will be supporting educational settings across the city. Mrs Sanchez, who has been here for 9 years, will also be undertaking a new leadership position at a school in Derbyshire. I am sure they will both do absolutely brilliantly in their new leadership positions. We wish Miss Miller lots of luck in the next stage of her teaching career in Lincolnshire. They have been invaluable members of our team and will be very much missed.

It is with real pleasure that we extend a very warm welcome to the new members of our team. Ms Mackdermott who will be joining us in September in Y5/6, she is a highly skilled and experienced teacher who has worked in several other Equals Trust schools. Miss Brown will also be joining the Y5/6 team, again a passionate and experienced practitioner. We are delighted too that Miss Gough who joined us this year, will be staying with us to teach in the Y1/2 team. All three teachers have already been into school and met lots of the children. They are all really excited about joining such a special and unique school community and I know they will make wonderful additions to our team.

Mr Martin is also leaving us this summer, we would like to thank him for his endless enthusiasm and commitment and wish him lots of luck in his future ventures.

We also extend a warm welcome to two new TAs who will be joining us, Miss Cumberpatch and Mrs Brown. I know they will be further brilliant additions to our team.

Classes for Sept 2022

As we have done for the last few years, the youngest children in each class will remain with their current teacher (*or new to school teacher see below*) and will be joined by new younger members mixed from the year below. We have found this works really well, enabling a more settled start in September plus those that were the youngest in the class have the opportunity to be the eldest, setting the good examples and acting as role models for the upcoming younger members of the class. As always,



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much time and consideration has been given to how the classes are arranged with many factors taken into consideration when we do so.

On Thursday your child will have the opportunity to meet and spend some time with their new teacher- this information will be shared with you on Thursday also. This will hopefully help ease the transition in September. Classes in September will be as follows:

FS2 Reception: Mr Faulder

Mrs Lee (Mon-Wed) & Mrs Wallace (Thurs-Fri)

KS1 Y1/2: Miss Gough

Mrs Guyler (Mon-Tues) & Mrs Wragg (Wed-Fri)

Mrs Hamblett (Mon-Wed) & Mrs Langdown (Thurs-Fri)

Lower KS2 Y3/4: Miss Houghton (Mon, Tues, Wed) & Mrs Jepson (Thurs & Fri)

Mrs Guerbaouy

Mrs Ahearne

Upper KS2 Y5/6: Mr Smith

Ms Mackdermott

Miss Brown

Changes to the school structure

My position as Executive Head Teacher over Burton Joyce and Cropwell Bishop Primary Schools has been made permanent. Therefore, as I have for the last 18 months, I will continue to split my time equally between the two schools. I feel exceptionally fortunate to be able to continue working in this way and being able to utilise the benefits of shared expertise and skills across the two schools. Please be assured my commitment to ensuring that Burton Joyce Primary School remains the special place that it is, has not dwindled in any way- the opposite in fact as I remain as determined and passionate for its success as ever. To this end and to ensure the smooth running of the school we have adapted the leadership structure. There is as stated myself as Executive Head Teacher; from September Miss Houghton will now take the role of Head of School and Mrs Guerbaouy will be our new Deputy Head of School. I'm sure you will echo me in saying a huge congratulations to both ladies in their new positions. They are not only exceptional practitioners but have proven leadership and management experience in our school and across the trust and together we will be a dynamic and ambitious team.

End of term date reminders

KS2 Sports Day – Monday 11th July 9.15am

FS2 & KS1 Sports Day- Tuesday 12th July 9.15am (Padleys Lane & Willow Wong entrances will be open-Willow Wong will be locked at 9.30am)

Disco –Tuesday 12th July

Foundation Graduation- Friday 15th July

Reports Out- Friday 15th July

Y6 Leavers Assembly – Tuesday 19th July

Last Day of term Tuesday 19th July

INSETS for staff only Wed/Thurs

I look forward to seeing you at the various events over the next few weeks but in the meantime thank you as always for your continued support and understanding throughout the term – the team and I really do appreciate it.

Take care and keep well,

Mrs Cook