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Dear Parents and Carers,

Most of our Year 6 children spent the day at their new schools today – those schools that they will move onto at the beginning of September.

With our oldest children absent from Park Hill for the day, your child was/children were, able to meet their new teacher. So today has been 'Transition Day' at Park Hill.

A New School Year

I am now in the position to be able to provide you with details of the staffing arrangements for the new school year.

This morning, your child was able to meet their new teacher and has spent time with them as part of supporting and preparing them to 'move on' – move on to a new classrooms and new teacher, who will support them on the next stage of their development. We appreciate that for many children, changes are a 'big deal', so we want them to feel confident and prepared for their new journey in school.

I would like to share the Teaching Team from September with you all:

Park Hill Primary School Teaching Staff 2024 - 2025

The Leadership Team

Mr P Griffin
Headteacher

Ms E Swidryk
Deputy Headteacher

Ms A Buckeridge
Assistant Headteacher

Mrs A Phillips
Assistant Headteacher

Mrs R Scott
Assistant Headteacher

Miss L Doyle
Assistant Headteacher

Teaching Team

Key Stage 2 Assistant Headteacher – Miss L Doyle			
Year 6	Class Beech Class Teacher: Mrs S Walker	Class Cedar Class Teacher: Miss L Doyle	Mrs E Roynon
Year 5	Class Sycamore Class Teachers: Mrs K Willacy & Mrs K Harris	Class Maple Class Teacher: Miss L Maye	Mrs M Anderson Mrs J Curtis Miss J Johnson
Year 4	Class Hawthorn Class Teacher: Mr M Gillard	Class Ash Class Teacher: Miss L Blunt	
Year 3	Class Pine Class Teacher: Miss E Nickerson & Mrs A Corbould	Class Fir Class Teacher: Mrs N Russell	Mrs N Vohra Miss L Tatham
Key Stage 1 Assistant Headteacher – Mrs A Phillips			
Year 2	Class Redwood Class Teacher: Mrs M Patrick	Class Birch Class Teachers: Mrs R Roper & Miss H Southam	Mrs A McKinnell Miss H Southam Mrs A O'Neill
Year 1	Class Oak Class Teacher: Mrs A Phillips	Class Chestnut Class Teacher: Miss J Lievesley	Miss S Wykes Mrs K Ison Mrs D Griffiths
Early Years Foundation Stage Assistant Headteacher – Mrs R Scott			
Reception	Class Elm Class Teacher: Mrs R Scott	Class Larch Class Teacher: Miss K Taylor	Mrs V Brindley Miss A Roynon Ms B Murray
Nursery	Class Conkers Class Teachers: Mrs A Poole		Mrs V Morgan
	Assistant Headteacher SENDCo and Additional Needs: Ms A Buckeridge		
	Pastoral and Safeguarding Manager: Mrs S Adams		
	Additional Needs Teaching Assistant: Miss G Allsopp		
	Forest School Leaders: Mrs A McKinnell and Miss G Allsopp		
	Additional Teachers: Mrs C Clement, Mrs C Leaver, Mr A Moynihan, Mrs E Coles		

Ending a Park Hill Journey

This year, we are saying goodbye to a small group of staff. Previously, I have shared that **Mrs Mann** will be leaving at the end of the school year having secured promotion as Vice Principal at an Academy Trust within Warwickshire.

Mr Vickers and **Mrs Alveski** have worked in Year 3 and Year 4 respectively. Both class teachers will leave Park Hill at the end the school year also.

I have not yet shared the most recent news with you – the news relating to **Mrs Phillips** and **Mrs Petros**.

I am pleased to be able to share that Mrs Phillips has secured a new role and promotion as Deputy Headteacher at another school within the city. Mrs Phillips started working at Park Hill in September 2013 and has dedicated over 10 years of service to the children and to families at Park Hill. Over this time, she has held many roles – more recently as an Assistant Headteacher and a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Mrs Phillips will return to Park Hill for the start of the academic year in September but will leave at the end of the half term towards the end of October. This does of course mean that at some point, there will be another update to share around a new appointment and the arrangements for replacing Mrs Phillips – the recruitment for her roles will be in the new academic year, starting in September.

I am also pleased to be able to share that Mrs Petros has secured a new role for the start of the academic year. Mrs Petros joined Park Hill in November 2017. Over this time, Mrs Petros has also held various role and worked with many children. Mrs Petros has decided that now is the time for her to move on, to leave her current role working in Year 6 and to move to another school within Coventry to work with children who have special needs.

We will miss the knowledge and skills that both Mrs Phillips and Mrs Petros will take with them but on behalf of the School Governors, parents and children here would like to say thank you and good luck in their new roles.

Beginning a Park Hill Journey

Alongside those who are leaving, there will be new members of staff to welcome to the school. There have been a number of new appointments made at the school – there will be new teachers and new teaching assistants joining us in September.

I am able to share news of the new teachers joining us:

Assistant Head Teacher

Ms Buckeridge will replace Mrs Mann as SENDCo. Ms Buckeridge will 'officially' start her new role in September, however before Mrs Mann leaves the school, both leaders have been working together in order to ensure that the transition is seamless.

In September, Mrs Scott will join the school as an Assistant Headteacher and member of the leadership team – leading the Early Years Team, taking responsibility from Ms Buckeridge. Mrs Scott is an experienced teacher and leader, currently working full-time at a school within Coventry. I am looking forward to Mrs Scott joining the team and welcoming her to you.

I would like to also welcome new class teachers Mrs Harris, Mrs Corbould, Mrs Russell, Miss Blunt and Mrs Coles to the school. They will officially start in September.

There are just over two weeks left now until the end of this academic year. There still seems so much still to do. Our Year 6 children are preparing to leave so I am looking forward to their final days being amazing ones – they've just returned from their residential at Skern Lodge in North Devon so are full of excitement and memories from their visit.

We have shared a letter to all parents of children in Year 5 as we are keen to secure the number of children who will attend next year – please return the expression of interest as soon as possible.

Forest School

Forest School is a child-centred inspirational learning process that offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions – learning outdoors! At Park Hill, we have a fabulous woodland setting (at the back of the school field, behind the mini-pitch) and we have held forest school lessons some afternoons each week. Next year, we are extending our offer to children and I am delighted to be able to share that our Forest School Leaders, Mrs McKinnell and Miss Allsopp will teach every afternoon (in all weathers!) throughout the year. This will increase the number of children who have an opportunity to explore and learn outdoors.

End of Year Reports

A reminder that children's end of year reports will be sent home next week, on Friday 12th July. Hopefully, you are looking forward to receiving these. After the weekend, on Monday 15th July, you are welcome to 'drop-into' school at the end of the school day, from 3:30 – 4:15pm. You are warmly invited!

I would like to wish you all a very happy Summer holiday break – I hope that you manage some quality time with family and friends. I am looking forward to the start of the new school year in September. Staff will return to work two days before the children but a reminder to you all that all children from Year 1 through to Year 6 should return to school on **Wednesday 6th September**. The staff will be welcoming children from 8:45am (hopefully, really-keen and excited to return after having six weeks at home with you!).

See you all then!

Kind regards,

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