

24<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Staffing Structure and Transition Afternoon – Academic Year 2025–26**

As we look ahead to September, I would like to share the staffing structure for the next academic year and confirm the plans for our Transition Afternoon, which will take place on Thursday 26th June.

We are delighted to confirm the following class structure for September:

- Robins Class (Nursery and Reception) – Mrs Baker and Mrs Hall
- Kingfishers Class (Year 1 and Year 2) – Miss Blackmore (*we are very excited to welcome her to our school family*)
- Magpies Class (Year 3 and Year 4) – Mrs Clark
- Barn Owls Class (Year 5 and Year 6) – Mrs Richards (*also joining our school family from September*)

At the end of this academic year, Mr Bird will be finishing his current role with us as class teacher, as he takes up an exciting new teaching post within one of our Trust Schools. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to him for his hard work and commitment to the children this year. However, this is not a goodbye. We are delighted that, from September, Mr Bird will continue to be part of the Dunsford team, remaining with us as a for three days a week as a HLTA from September.

We are also pleased to share that Mr Waters will be taking up a new leadership role as Assistant Headteacher across both Dunsford and All Saints Marsh from September. His teaching commitment will be based at All Saints Marsh, but he will continue to work closely with the team and children at Dunsford. We would like to thank Mr Waters for everything he has done this year – his commitment, passion, and care for the children has made a huge impact – and we are so pleased he will remain a key part of our wider leadership team.

To support a smooth transition, all children will take part in a Transition Afternoon on Thursday 26th June. During this time, they will spend the afternoon with their new class teacher in their new classroom, getting to know the routines and expectations for the year ahead. This is always a lovely opportunity to build confidence and begin preparing for the exciting changes September brings.



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Unfortunately, Mrs Richards is unable to attend on this date due to her current role, but she will be visiting on Monday 7th July to spend time with her new class and begin to build those all-important relationships. Mrs Richards class will be supported by Mr Bird during this time.

We had hoped to run meet the teacher sessions for parents on this day; however, this will now take place in the first week of school in September.

Following the transition session on 26th June, children will return to their current classrooms and be dismissed in the usual way.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are really excited about the year ahead and feel confident that this structure will enable every child to thrive. September will bring new opportunities, new faces, and continued learning and laughter at the heart of our wonderful school community.

Warm regards,  
Liam O'Sullivan  
Dunsford Community Academy