



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School

Monday, 10 July 2017

Staffing changes for September 2017

Dear parents / carers,

I am writing to inform you about some staffing changes that will be in place for September. We are saying good bye to Mrs Christian and Mr Booty.

Mrs Christian is retiring after twenty-nine years of service to the children at this school. She is a consummate professional, who always puts the children's needs first and will be missed by the whole school community, although I am sure we won't have seen the last of her. We wish her every enjoyment for a well-earned retirement. I know that she is looking forward to spending lots of time with her family.

Mr Booty is embarking on a change of career and is now training to be a fire officer. We would like to thank him for all his hard work whilst at St. Bartholomew's and wish him every success with his chosen career path.

Mrs Beresford will now be the full-time teaching assistant in apple class; she is familiar with the routines, as she already works part-time in this class and I am sure that this will serve to act as continuity for the children.

We have also made two additional appointments to the team. Mrs Sophie Szydowski will be working as a teaching assistant in Oak class from September. She comes with glowing references and I am sure that she will be a great asset to the school. Miss Kwarta has asked to reduce her hours and we have now been able to accept this request; she will work Monday - Thursday (mornings only) across the school.

Mr James Ferris joins the team as a sports apprentice and will be based in Palm class but will support children across the school with their learning in P.E and games. Mr Ferris comes with excellent references and we are sure he will prove to be a superb appointment. Mrs Thorogood will now work two days a week (instead of one as previously), in her role as SEND leader but also act as a learning mentor, providing pastoral support to children across the school.

This is a very exciting time as we look to continually move the school forward and enhance the learning experiences of the children.

Best wishes,

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