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Dear Parents and Carers of Years 3-6 classes

These last few weeks mark a profound milestone for me personally. As the final school bell rings for this term, it also signals the start of my retirement. I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the incredible journey we have shared. Together, we have built a vibrant, supportive, and successful community. I feel immensely proud of everything our pupils have achieved with the fantastic team of staff and governors. I am confident that the school will continue to flourish in the years ahead with Amy Fry and David Wilson at its helm.

Now, time to update you on the next academic year. Today, pupils in Years 3-5, along with the infant pupils in Year 2, have met their new teachers and support staff, as below:

Y2 Class	Moving to	Y3 Teachers - Sept 26	Y3 Class Names (named after artists)
Jaguar	-	Ketsia Itseli	Stephen Wiltshire
Leopard	-	Ruby Burgess	Barbara Hepworth
Tiger	-	Kelsie Hawes	Pablo Picasso

Y3 Class	Moving to	Y4 Teachers - Sept 26	Y4 Class Names (named after composers)
Delia Derbyshire	-	Arion Lawrence & Sabina Ceglarz-Abdol	Same
Shirley Thompson	-	Chloe Bacon	Same
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart	-	Victoria Tei Coleman	Same

Y4 Class	Moving to	Y5 Teachers - Sept 26	Y5 Class Names (named after historians)
Janina Ramirez	-	Chloe Newson	Same
Mary Beard	-	Marian Switonski	Same
David Olusoga	-	Regina Manuel	Same

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Y5 Class	Moving to	Y6 Teachers - Sept 26	Y6 Class Names (named after environmental activists)
David Attenborough	-	Emily Humberstone	Same
Greta Thunberg	-	Pui Sumsion (Mon) & Rebecca Amdetsion (Tues - Fri)	Same
Wangari Maathai	-	Louise Draper	Same

You are invited to drop in on Monday 13 July between 3-3.45pm to take the opportunity to say goodbye, discuss your child's report and thank the teachers and teaching assistants. No appointments are necessary.

Pupils will be taking home their school books and homework projects next week, so it would be helpful if they could bring in a plastic bag to carry them home on Thursday. All lost property will be displayed in the playground on the last couple of days of term. Please check for your child's belongings as when the school is cleaned over the summer holidays, all uncollected items will be disposed of.

Class parties are happening on Thursday, 16 July. Please do not send party food as school will be providing snacks. Please send in a £1 cash donation towards the cost.

After 16 years of exceptional service, dedication, and leadership, Chloe Timanti, Assistant Headteacher will be leaving our school at the end of this term to embark on a new chapter.

For over a decade and a half, Chloe has been a cornerstone of our school community. Her impact on our school cannot be overstated. She has served us in a remarkably diverse capacity, expertly balancing the complex demands of a Senior Leader with her passion for classroom teaching. Throughout her time with us, she has successfully led numerous subject areas, driving academic standards forward and inspiring both staff and pupils alike.

We are also saying goodbye to one of our Teaching Assistant's Pinar Cakmakyurd. During her time here, she has been an invaluable asset to our team, working across our classrooms to support pupils in their daily learning. In addition to her classroom work, Pinar has been instrumental in delivering our targeted intervention programmes.

We are incredibly grateful for both Chloe's and Pinar's hard work, care, and enthusiasm. They will be greatly missed but we wish them both success and happiness for the future.

Tori Tapp, 4Olusoga's teacher will be commencing her maternity leave at the end of this term. I am sure you will join all of us in sending her our warmest congratulations and best wishes as she prepares for this exciting new addition to her family. To ensure total continuity, she has already spent the last few weeks working closely with her year group team to ensure that her class is ready for the upcoming year.

Just a reminder, school reopens on **Thursday 3 September at 8.30am**. On the first day back, teachers will collect their classes from the playground. The school day finishes at 3pm.

Only Year 6 pupils can walk home alone if parents and carers fill out the permission slip (available from the school office). Also just a reminder that Year 6 pupils can bring in basic “brick” phones, but NO smart phones. Please complete a permission slip if you would like your Year 6 child to bring in a basic “brick” phone (available from the school office). SMART watches or other similar devices are not permitted in school.

The first two weeks of Autumn term will be our “Be Proud Weeks”, when classes, will be celebrating our school community. **On Friday 11 September, we are having a Culture Day for parents, carers and pupils.** We will be embracing the rich diversity and heritage that makes our school community vibrant and unique! Children are all invited to wear clothes that are important to your home life and culture. It could be traditional attire, Brownies or Scouts uniforms or the colours of a country’s flag. Parents and carers are invited to come into the classrooms to meet the teaching staff and hear about the work pupils have been doing as part of “Be Proud Weeks” from 9.00-9.45am.

Finally a huge congratulations on Year 6 on the spectacular end-of-year performance. You brought energy, talent, and teamwork to the stage, making it a show we will never forget. You shone brightly, and your hard work truly paid off.

Now, your next big adventure awaits as you move to secondary school. It is natural to feel a mix of excitement and nerves, but remember how much you have grown during your time with us. You are ready for this new chapter. Take our values of resilience, responsibility and respect, alongside kindness and use them to conquer new challenges, make new friends, and achieve your dreams.

I wish you all a safe, happy, and relaxing summer break, and the very best of luck for the future. With my warmest wishes and final farewell.

Yours faithfully
Helen McGovern

Headteacher