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Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

## Class Organisation 2021-2022

Below is an outline of the class structures for next academic year. I am delighted to welcome a new teacher to our school community next year, Mrs Marie Young, who has been working at St Godric's Catholic Primary School in Durham for the last few years. I know that everyone will welcome Mrs Young to our school community and I know that she will be a great addition to our staffing team.

<b>Nursery</b>	Mrs Wealleans
<b>Reception</b>	Miss Self
<b>Year 1</b>	Mrs Davies
<b>Year 2</b>	Mrs Sands (Monday to Thursday) Mr Rooney (Friday)
<b>Year 3</b>	Mrs Young
<b>Year 4</b>	Miss Loughlin
<b>Year 5</b>	Mrs Bissell
<b>Year 6</b>	Mrs Thackray (as Miss Williamson shall be married this summer)

In our Year 2 class, Mrs Sands shall be working Monday to Thursday covering the English, Maths, RE and the bulk of the wider curriculum. Mr Rooney shall be working in that classroom on a Friday when subjects such as French and Science shall be taught (as he has delivered this year with our current Year 2 cohort). Friday afternoons also comprise singing and reward assembly for all children in Reception to Year 6. Mr Rooney shall continue to work across the school teaching French to all children from Reception to Year 6 on a Thursday.

Mrs Canham shall be on maternity leave this academic year and shall return later in the school year. Miss Loughlin shall act in the role of Deputy Head Teacher until Mrs Canham's return. Mr Quinn, who has been working with us this academic year as the Year 3 teacher and Acting Deputy Head Teacher shall return to his host school, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary School in Penshaw. It has been a pleasure having Mr Quinn as part of our school family this year.

Teaching assistants will continue to work across the school by: working in the Early Years; supporting children with 1-1 support; providing intervention groups or teaching groups of children within the classroom. Mrs Sammut, our school chaplain, shall continue to deliver a weekly chaplaincy session to





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all classes. The children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher and visit their new class on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July** when we will have our annual **Changeover Day**.

It has been a turbulent year for schools and our children, particularly. When our school re-opened in September 2020, I certainly did not expect that children would be in class bubbles and parents would remain at the school gates for the entire school year. However, it is looking much more positive that school life will return to our pre-covid days very soon and the staff in school (and I am sure, parents), can't wait for those days. Further information about the protocols for school life in September shall be shared with you later this half term, when we have any further information.

Once again, thank you to all of our school families for their continued support during this academic year. I trust that you find this information useful, yet if anyone wishes to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact us at [stbenets@durhamlearning.net](mailto:stbenets@durhamlearning.net).

Yours sincerely,

*Catherine Young*  
Head teacher

