



Scotch Orchard Primary School
Scotch Orchard
Lichfield
Staffordshire
WS13 6DE

Telephone: 01543 227400
E-mail: office@scotchorchard.staffs.sch.uk

Head of School: Dr Rhian Warrack
Assistant Head: Mr James Chapman

Friday 21st June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

STAFFING 2024-2025

It is that time of year when we get ready to transition to our new year groups. We know this can be both a difficult and exciting time for our pupils, but we hope that we can make this transition as smooth as possible.

Below you will find the new teachers for each year group ready for September. We are delighted that all members of teaching staff, who have had a significant positive impact on the progress of our children this year, will be remaining with us for the start of the next academic year. We know how talented our teaching staff are and every member of the Scotch Orchard team are already very excited for next year.

At Scotch Orchard, we want our children to feel a sense of belonging. To aid this next year, we have made the decision to give each class a name linked to a fundamental part of our historic past: trees.

Reception and Nursery	Seeds	Miss Crump
Year 1	Roots	Miss Cheley
Year 2	Shoots	Mr Burns
Year 3	Sproutlings	Mrs Meer
Year 4	Seedlings	Mrs Parry
Year 5	Saplings	Mrs Walton
Year 6	Oak	Mr Nazarewicz

Miss Egan will also be with us next year – working to support the development of children across school.

In addition, I am delighted to share that James Chapman has been appointed as the substantive Assistant Headteacher for Scotch Orchard. I am so pleased to have such a passionate and committed practitioner working as part of the Scotch orchard Senior leadership Team in a permanent capacity, as he brings a wealth of enthusiasm, skill and drive to the team. He has made a significant impact on our English Curriculum over the last two years, and after a year out of the classroom, is developing the skills of a great leader. I can't wait to watch his journey as we work together to make Scotch Orchard a





Scotch Orchard Primary School
Scotch Orchard
Lichfield
Staffordshire
WS13 6DE

safe, secure place for our children, so that they know that they belong, they believe in themselves and can then learn and achieve their true potential.

I would also like to share the news that Mrs Laurie Savage, who is currently working as a Teaching Assistant in school, will be taking up the post of Learning Support Mentor in September 2024, after successfully completing her Cherished Mentor Training. Mrs Savage will be working with identified children who are experiencing distress around a variety of issues, such as anxiety, bereavement, anger management difficulties, problems with recognising emotions, or emotional regulation and who have attachment problems. As you may recall from last week's newsletter, Cherished's goal is that all children feel safe, secure, soothed and seen so that they can learn effectively. This makes Mrs Savage an invaluable addition to our team with the exceptional pastoral offer that she will provide.

Finally, we are hoping to be joined by a Lead Designated Safeguarding Lead in September. This member of staff will work as part of the Senior Leadership Team with children, families and staff to ensure that all our children are safeguarded across school.

If you have any questions, or concerns regarding the next academic year please speak to your class teacher, myself or Mr Chapman, so we can help.

With many thanks for your continued support.

Rhian Warrack

Dr Rhian Warrack
Head of Scotch Orchard Primary School

