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## **Year 5/6 – Update to the teaching structure in Year 5 & 6**

Dear Parents and Carers

This year, the children in Years 5 and 6 have been taught in mixed classes. Outcomes for all pupils have remained high, regardless of the year group they are in. All children across the phase have access to our ambitious curriculum relevant for their year group, age and stage of development.

At times throughout the year, we have had the opportunity for Year 5 and Year 6 to work in their own year groups. We have been fortunate to have additional space to use for break out rooms and have a large team of adults to support the children in the best way possible.

As we move towards the end of the year we will be teaching the children in their own year groups for more of the time. Having reviewed what each year group needs, we feel this will support the children to strengthen and consolidate their prior learning and get them ready for their futures either in Year 6 or in Year 7.

### **Year 5 pupils**

Year 5 will be able to focus on the core learning needed to succeed in Year 6, to deepen their subject knowledge across the primary curriculum and prepare them for success in Year 6.

### **Year 6 pupils**

As Year 6 prepare for the transition to secondary school in September, we want to ensure they have the independence and skills needed to be successful for this big jump. We will also provide them with a specific transition package to ensure they are ready for secondary school.

To facilitate these aims we will, at times, need to move the children around to different classrooms or to work with different adults. At all times staff will follow the safety measures as outlined in our school wide risk assessment.

We believe this is the best way forward to support our children in light of recent events due to Covid-19.

If you have any questions about these changes please feel to contact myself or Mrs Ajewole via the school office who will be happy to help.

Kind regards

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Headteacher