

Soaring Skies Federation



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your on-going support this year and throughout the challenging circumstances the pandemic has presented. We are looking forward to a return to school learning for all pupils in September.

During the last week children in our book swap session the children will have an opportunity to pick up their schoolbooks, end of year report, find out their new class name and who their teacher will be in 2020-2021. From September there will be some class changes which will mean that some of our KS2 children will be in a new class, which may be a mixed year group class. Over the past three years our school has had one form entry intake which means that classes Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are now one form entry. Drop in pupil numbers has resulted in a decision to mix year group classes.

The decision to mix some classes has been given much consideration by the Leadership Team and the mixed year group classes are both being taught by experienced teachers. As with any primary class, the new classes will have a mixture of academic ability. Learning will be set in our normal way - according to children's needs and to achieve the best possible outcomes for each individual child. Our focus will continue to be providing good role models for the children in our school.

The benefits of a mixed year group class are children have role models who display good behaviours for learning, work ethics and develop wider critical thinking skills. We have carefully thought about the design of our curriculum to ensure progression continues through your child's learning journey.

Lastly, our Year 6 children are leaving under unusual circumstances this year. We will be very sad to see them go, with many of them having been at our school since Reception and we wish them every success at secondary school. The Year 6 teaching team are working hard to provide an alternative end of year finale which will take place on Monday 20th July. Over the summer holiday we will continue to provide free school meal vouchers to families.

We would like to remind you that term finishes on Friday 17th July and children return on Monday 7th September 2020. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school in September and have really missed seeing you all during this lock down period.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

The Soaring Skies Leadership Team