

# *Beer C of E (VA) Primary School*

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Dear Parents,

We are writing regarding class structures for the forthcoming academic year. As a small school we carefully consider class structures on an annual basis with the aim being that we provide the best education that we can for all children in our care. To this end, the deliberations that take place are well thought out with different scenarios considered. We carefully contemplate the pros and cons of each scenario and discuss as a whole school and governing body our options in order to reach the best decision.

Next year, we will be running a 4 class structure and we will be ensuring appropriate adult support is in place based on the numbers of children in the classes to ensure that the adult:child ratios will be favourable. Mrs Brown will continue to cover class 4 for 1 day a week for Mr Evans to allow him to have his management time. She will also team teach for 2 mornings a week in class 3 with Miss Squire and the Year 3/4 children.

Next year, the classes will be structured as follows:

Class 1 – Mixed Reception and Year 1 (Mrs Martin – 4 days & Mrs Timmins – 1 day)

Class 2 – Mixed Year 1 and 2 (Mrs Hawtin – 4 days & Mrs Timmins – 1 day)

Class 3 – Mixed Year 3 and 4 (Miss Squire – full time with 2 x mornings Mrs Brown)

Class 4 – Mixed Year 5 and 6 (Mr Evans – 4 days & Mrs Brown – 1 day)

As always, decisions are made on a variety of levels and include considering the numbers, the social, emotional and academic needs of the child as well as their age in relation to the academic year.

We hope this answers any immediate questions you have. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you wish to discuss this further.

Kind regards,

Miss Porter and Mr Evans