



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

STAFFING UPDATE

Earlier this term, you were informed that Mr Harfield would be leaving us at Easter. Following interviews, I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Ruth Wilson, an experienced senior teacher, will be commencing as SENDCo (Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator) and member of the Senior Leadership Team, permanently from 1st September. Ahead of this, she will be visiting school over the next four weeks to liaise with Mr Harfield. Next term, she will also visit regularly to ensure a thorough period of transition takes place. During this period, I shall continue to oversee all aspects of SEND provision within school; both Mrs Bayes and I have worked very closely with Mr Harfield in all fields of SEND throughout his time at Lionel Walden. All SEND specialist services, including Specialist Teacher Mrs Karen Wheeler, will continue to support specific pupils.

During the Summer Term, Mrs Bayes will continue to teach the Year 3 Class; other members of our teaching team will cover for Mrs Bayes, as required. The teaching assistants in the Year 3 Class will continue as before. As always, our decisions are based on what we believe to be the best for our children - continuity and consistency are key factors.

I am also pleased to report that Miss Coulthurst, who is currently on maternity leave, will be returning to work after the half-term break in the Summer Term. Following interviews, Miss Holly Watts will also be joining us as a Class Teacher from 1st September.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come in and speak to me.

Yours sincerely

S A Barnard-Taylor (Mrs)
Headteacher

