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### Staffing Update – Spring 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach a new term here at Christ Church, I wanted to update you on some staffing changes across the school. There has been a great deal of positive news within our team, alongside some changes that naturally come with staff movement and development.

#### **Maternity News**

We are delighted to share that several members of staff have recently welcomed new additions to their families.

- Mrs Jackson, Mrs Burn and Mrs Peterken have all had their babies and are currently enjoying maternity leave (and they all came to see us with their new additions during the Christmas festivities 😊).
- More recently, Miss Cobb welcomed a baby girl and began her maternity leave in November. She is doing well and enjoying this magical time with the little one.

#### **Changes to Year 4 (Green Class)**

Looking ahead, Mrs Martin is due to go on maternity leave at the end of this week, and we wish her the best for the rest of the year. Year 4 will now be taught by Mrs Shore Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Garner on Thursday and Fridays. They are both great and experienced teachers who have already worked with the class this year.

#### **Changes to Year 3 (Yellow Class)**

As the school finds itself in a rare position of having most of the school leaders on maternity leave simultaneously (two Assistant Headteachers and the SENCO), Mr Moody will be stepping out of his regular teaching commitment to support teaching and learning across the school in a leadership capacity as our Acting Assistant Headteacher. For the remainder of the year, Year 3 will be taught by Mrs Watson. She has worked with the class before Christmas and has made a great start to life at Christ Church. She will be joined by Miss Shaw, who is new to school and will be teaching on Mondays.

#### **Changes to Year 5 (Blue Class)**

Despite an excellent start to life at Christ Church, we are very sad to share that Mr Redmond, who has been teaching Year 5 on Thursdays and Fridays, has needed to step away from his role due to ill health. Our thoughts and best wishes remain with him, and we know you will join us in holding him in your thoughts. Mrs Harvey will now also teach the class on Thursdays, and Miss Shaw, mentioned above, will be teaching the class on Fridays.

### **Phonics Leadership**

Mrs Tregunno, who has played a significant role in developing our early reading as our Phonics Leader, will be moving on to work for the phonics provider directly in what is an exciting job opportunity for her. We will miss her greatly and are proud of the contribution she has made to our school. Miss Hallam has undergone training and will take the reins of phonics leadership at the school and will continue to work with the English Hub as an official partner school for the next three years, ensuring our phonics provision continues to grow from strength to strength.

### **Changes to FS2 / Reception (Rainbow Class)**

As Mrs Tregunno taught in Rainbow Class on Fridays and will no longer be with us, we welcome Ms Davies, a highly recommended and experienced teacher. She will be teaching in Rainbow Class, starting this week.

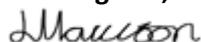
### **Interim SENCO**

As Mrs Burn, the school SENCO is on maternity leave, we have been able to secure the temporary loan of Miss Hollingsworth, who will be our Acting Senco until Mrs Burn returns at the end of the Summer Term 2026. Miss Hollingsworth will be based at Christ Church every Thursday and Friday. She has been a great addition to the team so far and helping to bring fresh ideas to Christ Church.

Thank you for taking the time to read through these updates. We hope the overview helps you feel informed and reassured about the plans in place. As always, our priority remains the wellbeing, stability and high-quality education of every child across the school.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,



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