

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

We are pleased to inform you we have new staff members joining us in January. Mrs Russell will be joining us as SEN teacher for our Ducklings class, Mr Roulstone will be PE leader and Ms Wilson will be responsible for Safeguarding and Attendance.

In addition to this, Mrs Wass has been away from school due to illness for the past few weeks. During this time I have been spending a considerable amount of time at Cloudside to support the team and ensure the impact of her absence has been minimised.

Due to this change in circumstances and Mrs Wass being unable to return just yet, from January Miss Milson will relinquish her teaching commitment to allow her to provide leadership for the school. Miss Griffiths will also relinquish her teaching commitment and she will be supporting Mrs Russell and providing additional intervention classes across years 5 and 6 as part of the whole school approach to the Educational Recovery Plan.

Whilst it was always our intention to collapse the classes back to 3 classes in year 5 we have been unable to do this due to these unforeseen circumstances. The best solution for our year 5 children will be to remain as 2 classes with their current teachers for the remainder of this academic year. Mrs Shooter will also continue with her role as teacher of the Year 6 Kingfishers class until the end of the academic year. The teachers have spoken to the children about this today and they have all responded positively and are looking forward to returning to school in the New Year.

We will update you further in the new year as to how Mrs Wass is recovering and we send her all our best wishes.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and to wish you a Merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year and hope that you are able to enjoy a well-deserved break with your families.

Yours sincerely

**Mrs N McIntyre**  
**Executive Headteacher**

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