

## MANSEL PARK PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Dear Year 2 Parents

I hope this letter finds you well and that the start to 2024 has been a good one for your family. We are writing to inform you of an important staffing change to class 2O. As you may be aware, teacher recruitment is in crisis across the whole of the UK. Many teachers do not want the responsibility of whole class teaching and work with agencies to cover sickness and short term positions. Miss Addaway was such a lovely teacher and has been very helpful in covering class 2O in the short term. We now have organised for one of our own Partnership Teachers to be released for the rest of this term, up until Easter, when class 2O will meet their new long term teacher who will be with them until the end of the year. As you might imagine, this has taken some time and hard work to organise and we are very pleased that an interim and then long term solution has been found for our children.

Mrs Jacob will be with the children until Easter. She has worked across the partnership of schools over the last 6 years. She has a great understanding of the systems and structures that we use at our schools and the day to day running of a class. Mrs Jacob already has the knowledge of the children's starting points and where their gaps lie so that the teaching will be tailored to your child. Mrs Jacob replaces Miss Addaway immediately. Please welcome her to Year 2, we thank her for working with our children going forward.

We understand that changes in staffing can raise concerns, we understand that it is not ideal and we want to assure you that we are committed to ensuring a smooth transition for both children and parents.

We will be providing support to both Mrs Jacob and the children as they transition. We encourage you to discuss this change with your child and reassure them that we are committed to maintaining a positive and nurturing educational experience.

I understand that this is again another change for the children in this class but the challenge of appointing the very best teachers sits firmly as our target - we continue to place our children at the centre of all things.















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Thank you for your on-going support. If you have any questions or concerns about this staffing change, please feel free to reach out to us through the school office. We value your feedback and appreciate your understanding as we work to ensure the continued success of our students at Mansel Park Primary & Nursery School.

Yours Sincerely,

Paul Lodge

Principal











