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Dear Parents and Carers of current Year Two and Three classes,

Re: Classes for September 2015

I am writing to let you know that we are very fortunate in being able to keep the small class sizes your children have enjoyed to date. I have worked hard on the budget to ensure that this will continue throughout Key Stage Two.

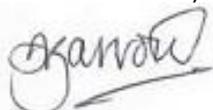
We are very lucky to have a strong team in lower Key Stage Two, which will consist of Miss Taylor and Mrs Tennant in Year Three, and Ms Plane and Mr Lee (who is a new appointment to our school) in Year Four.

Due to the wide mix of children, and a number of children having joined the classes during this academic year, we now feel that it would be an appropriate time to mix the children in the two classes going into Year Three and, separately, the children going into Year Four. This will enable us to get a balance of personalities and abilities across the two classes in each year group. Just to be clear, the classes will remain as single year groups. We do feel that it will be a positive experience for the children to form new friendship groups within their year too. It is also worth stating that a lot of emphasis is now placed on quality first teaching (the teaching that takes place in the classroom on a daily basis) in both the new curriculum and SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) code of practice reforms.

This task will not be undertaken in haste; in fact, it will take a lot of time, care and sensitivity in order to achieve a successful mix. The current class teachers will have a great deal of input into this because they know the friendship groups that the children have formed. Therefore, their information and knowledge will be crucial. We will also ask the children to name their closest friends.

I do hope that you trust that this will be the right decision for your children. If you have any further information, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,



Mr D Barrow
Head Teacher