



BOTLEY C of E (Controlled) Primary School

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5th June 2024

Dear Parents,

I am writing to provide you with information about next year's class structure. We are continuing to work with the background of bulge years passing through the school due to larger intakes of 60 children into Year R to support with previous shortage of school places within this local area and then returning to our agreed admission number of 45 children. As such Year 1/2 will be returning to mixed classes next year, with each class containing a half and half mix of Year 1 and Year 2 children.

There will be thirteen classes within the school next year - please see the table below for how the classes will be organised. Once we have finalised which teachers will be where we will let you know – this will be in advance of our transition day on the 27th June.

| Year Group | Classes |
|------------|---------|
| Year R | 1 |
| | 2 |
| Year 1/2 | 1 |
| | 2 |
| | 3 |
| Year 3 | 1 |
| | 2 |
| Year 4 | 1 |
| | 2 |
| Year 5 | 1 |
| | 2 |
| Year 6 | 1 |
| | 2 |

All children in Years 2-5 will have the opportunity to name some friends next week that they would like to go into a class with. They will be placed with at least one of these friends. You might like to talk to them about this in advance. Children in Year R and Year 1 will be placed in classes by their teachers using their expert knowledge of them to do so.

Please note that once classes are set they cannot be changed under any circumstances. As such, if there is anything that you wish to raise in advance of classes being finalised, for example any views on your child's relationship with any other children, please do get in contact with me via email (j.cooil@botley.hants.sch.uk) or I am happy to meet with you if you would prefer. It is important that you do communicate anything to me by the end of next week (14th June 2024) even if you have previously raised it or have already spoken to your child's class teacher about it.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Cooil'.

Mr J. Cooil
Headteacher