

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful and restful break. We are thrilled to see the children returning with such energy and enthusiasm for the new term ahead.

We have a packed schedule of exciting opportunities and events already lined up for the coming weeks:

- **Year 3 Science:** The children will be diving into the world of light and reflections by creating their very own shadow puppets.
- **Year 5 Swimming:** Year 5 pupils will begin their swimming lessons this term—please ensure they have their kits ready for their scheduled days.
- **Robins Sporting Events:** We are particularly looking forward to an upcoming **SEND sporting event**, celebrating inclusion and physical activity for our pupils.
- **PTFA Easter Disco:** It wouldn't be the spring term without our PTFA Easter Disco! Keep an eye out for further details on timings and tickets soon.

We are also pleased to welcome **Miss Carver**, a trainee teacher, who will be joining Year 4 for this half term. We know you will make her feel very welcome in our school community.

Important Leadership & Staffing Update

I am writing to share some news regarding a temporary change in leadership. I have been seconded to another school for 2–3 days per week, starting next week, to provide additional leadership capacity.

During my absence, **Miss Dekeyzer** will step up as '**Head of School**' and will be your main point of contact on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays**.

To ensure that Merlins class continues to receive high-quality teaching while Miss Dekeyzer carries out these leadership duties:

- Mrs O'Malley will be teaching Merlins on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. She brings extensive KS2 experience and a strong background in SEND.
- Mrs Dekeyzer will be working closely with Mrs O'Malley to support this transition and remains the teacher with overall responsibility for the Merlins class.

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"They will soar on wings like eagles"

Nurture. Respect. Responsible. Community. Compassion. Courage.



We are confident that these arrangements will provide stability for the children while allowing our school to support the wider educational community.

Thank you for your continued support as we begin this exciting new term.

Warm regards,

Miss Richardson