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Dear Parents/Carers

It was announced earlier this week that the majority of the school will not be returning to school before September. Many of our pupils and staff have found this news sad with the thought that they will not get to finish the school year together. When we are back together, there will be time put aside for their current teachers and classes to be reunited.

This letter is regarding classes for the next academic year. Apologies but the transition letter sent out last week had a wrong date on it and instead of letting you know whether the year groups would be mixed next academic year in July, we are writing to let you know of this much further in advance.

In any 'normal' year, children react to transition in a range of different ways. With the right support, we find however that it is a positive experience for everyone. Once you have seen the 'meet the teacher' videos on the 22nd of June, if you're worried about your child feeling anxious then please do get in touch. Unfortunately, nobody currently knows what September looks like for schools. However, when we do, supporting the children to make transition as positive as possible will be of utmost importance.

As a school, we always look at our current classes and check they are balanced in terms of numbers and characteristics. This year, year 5 will be remaining in the same groups when they move into years 6. Current years 3 and 4 will be mixed for when they return in year 4 and 5 respectively.

If you have a child who is **currently in year 3 or 4** then please read the following page and respond to the email with the information required.

You will be informed by email of your child's new classroom and their teacher on Tuesday 16th June. On Monday 22nd June, 'Meet Your New Teacher' videos will be added to our school website. After this date, if there is anything specific you would like to speak with your child's new class teacher about then please contact the office and a phone call will be arranged.

Yours sincerely,

Edward Harrison and Odele Davies
Co-Headteachers

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Information for parents of current Year 3 and 4 children

The children in these year groups will still be with some pupils from their previous class but also get the opportunity to work with pupils from the rest of their year group. Our teachers have already been thinking about the children and where they would be best placed in order to support their social, emotional and mental health but also enable them to be successful learners. We would like your input on this to help make the transition for them as positive as possible.

Please could you discuss with your child who they work well with within their year group. They can then choose up to 4 children that they would like to be in a class with next year. Whilst it might not be possible to place everyone with exactly who they wish, we will make sure they are in the same class with **at least 1 person** on their list.

Please reply to this email with the following information to make it easy for our office team to collate each child's requests:

My child is currently in year:
My child's full name:

Requests

Child 1:
Child 2:
Child 3:
Child 4:

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