



25 March 2021

Year 6 Teaching Arrangements after Easter and Kingswood

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6

Year 6 have made a very successful return to school and are rising to the challenge with the resumption of school life and a structured day again. The children and staff are very much enjoying seeing everyone back. At this time, it is very important to consider what structures we can put in place to best support the children in terms of their health and wellbeing and their learning. With this in mind and with the return of Mrs Prasad from maternity leave, we have taken then decision to organise the children into carefully selected smaller groups for English and Maths after Easter. This has been done in previous years and has proved successful in allowing the children more opportunity to concentrate with maximum support. It also helps them begin to prepare for high school where they will have many teachers in different locations. The children will return to their registration class in the afternoons and will see their friends at break and lunchtimes. In the afternoons, Mrs Prasad will be 6 Andromeda's teacher and Mrs Quintana and Miss Perini will be 6 Pegasus's teachers.

For the second year running, our Year 6 children will not sit national tests, but they will complete school-based assessments to inform their high school. These assessments will reflect the expectations for the end of Year 6 and we are committed to supporting the children to achieve their potential. We will be informing your child of who their Maths and English teacher are before we finish for the Easter holidays. All groups will be completing the same work and the teachers' planning will continue to be done in the same way to meet age related expectations.

Regrettably, we will not be able to proceed with the Kingswood trip as planned. Instead, I am currently investigating options for day trips to outdoor activity centres in the local area. I hope to provide more information in the new term. (Once we have worked out the cost of these trips, we will refund any difference to those of you who had paid in full for the Kingswood residential trip.)

If you have any questions about the organisation on the day or learning, then please contact me through the office.

With kind regards.

Mrs Quintana

Assistant Head Teacher, Upper Phase Leader