

Haydon Abbey School and Pre-School

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Dear Parents and Carers

This year we are having a whole school transition morning that will take place on **Tuesday 7th July**. On this day, all children will be spending the morning with their new teachers and LSAs in their new classrooms. The children need to come to school at the normal time and go into their current class as usual.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, we are embracing an exciting chapter of growth and fresh energy at Haydon Abbey. This summer, we will be saying some fond farewells to a few of our staff members as they move on to new professional adventures, while others embark on the wonderful journey of maternity leave. We wish them all the very best and thank them deeply for their dedication to our school.

With these changes comes a fantastic opportunity to enrich our school community, and we are absolutely delighted to be welcoming seven wonderful new teachers to our team this September! They bring a wealth of enthusiasm, talent, and new ideas to Haydon Abbey. Our new team members will all be here for transition day next week, providing a brilliant opportunity for them to meet their new classes and start building those all-important connections.

The organisation for September 2026 is as follows:

Current Class	New Class
Mrs Walsh - RJW	Miss Pearce - 1EP
Mrs Hickman - RKH	Mrs Needle – 1KN
Mrs Mackland - 1HM	Miss Doyle - 2FD
Miss Pearce - 1EP	Miss Hobbs - 2SH
Miss Doyle – 2FD	Mixed – See separate letter
Miss Kent - 2LK	Mixed – See separate letter
Miss Sullivan -2ES	Mixed – See separate letter
Miss Kelly – 3EK	Miss Whincup - 4EW
Mr Jones -3GJ	Miss Sullivan – 4ES
Mrs Kavanagh – 4DW	Miss Kelly – 5EK
Miss Whincup – 4EW	Mrs Jarvis – 5SJ
Mrs Jarvis – 5SJ	Mixed – See separate letter
Miss Elwin – 5LE	Mixed – See separate letter
Miss Whittaker – 5MM	Mixed – See separate letter



Meet the teacher - 3.15pm

Following transition morning on **Tuesday 7th July**, we would like to invite you in to school to meet your child's new class teacher. Teachers will remain in their new classes until 3.30pm to allow parents who have more than 1 child to meet all of their children's teachers.

Reception pupils going to Year One - Parents

In addition to meeting the new Year One Teachers, there will be a short presentation about the transition into Year One. For any parents that cannot make the meeting, this presentation will be made available on the website.

For children moving onto Secondary School in September 2026:

On transition days, the children in Year 6 are required to travel to and from their allocated Secondary School (**Please note: The secondary schools will inform you directly with details of their transition days and when your child needs to attend as some may be having two days**). Please let the office know in advance if your child will not be attending Haydon Abbey School due to secondary transition days.

If your Year 6 child is NOT attending a transition day on 7th July or 8th July, they **will need to attend Haydon Abbey School as normal**.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Ferdinand

Headteacher