

# Sudbourne Primary School

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**Date: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide you with further information about arrangements for this term, September 2021 and beyond.

## **Classes and teachers next year**

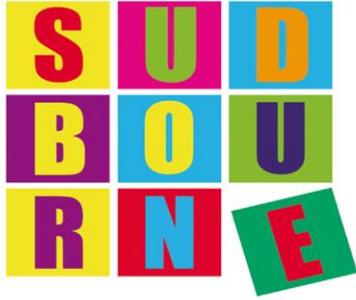
Staff have thought very carefully about the classes for next year. Sudbourne has a forty five pupil per year intake. This means we have to mix some pupils from different year groups together. To determine the class groupings, we take in to consideration a number of factors, including:

- Dates of birth/age of child
- Gender mix
- Special educational needs and disabilities
- Siblings that are in the same year group or adjacent year group
- Ensuring that a child is not with the same teacher too often
- Friendship groups where possible

The teachers and staff are highly skilled, extremely well trained and very caring. Decisions made are in the best interests of all the children. The class teachers are highly sensitive to each child's needs and will ensure that the daily learning experiences are enjoyable, positive and suitably challenging, regardless of class allocation.

The children will be told this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July which class they will be in next academic year. We usually have a physical class swap towards the end of an academic year for children, to start to get to know the teacher that they will be having the following year. This year, we will be doing things slightly differently. We will be having a virtual class swap on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July using videos that the class teachers have recorded. The children will be able to watch the recorded videos on the screens in their current classrooms during the school day. This means that we will be able to keep to the bubbles which we have maintained throughout the spring and summer terms.





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## Staff for the academic year 2021/2022

We are in the process of finalising the staff team for next academic year. I will share with you the new members of staff joining us in September once this process has been completed. I am delighted that we will have a number of staff joining us for a more substantial period of time, some of which have previously worked with us on a short term basis.

## Graduations

This week we are having the Reception, Year 2 and Year 6 'graduations' to mark the end of the children's journey through a key stage. We hope to share a photo of your child with you soon after.

## Sudbourne Site 2

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July, I sent a letter to you about how we might use the new school site that is currently being built on Mandrell Road, which is just a short walk from our current building. I would like to hear from as many of you as possible. Please click [HERE](#) to complete the online form as soon as you can but at the latest by 31<sup>st</sup> August - thank you.

Take care and keep well.

Richard Blackmore - Headteacher

