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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see below for a list of important updates for the rest of this term and also for the start of next school year.

### **Reorganisation of classroom location:**

Due to a fantastic increasing demand for pupil places at our school and therefore an additional class in September, we are making some exciting changes to class locations. Your children will be shown and told about this in the next few weeks but for your information here are the new arrangements for September:

#### **EYFS –**

- Nursery will remain but extend into both rooms. Normal pick up procedures remain.
- Reception classes will move to the current Key Stage 1 area. Parents will drop off and collect children from here. They will have their play times on the early years yard as normal.

#### **Key Stage 1 –**

- Year 1, Year 2, Year 2/3 will move across to the classrooms near the top yard. Year 1 will be in the classroom adjacent to the yard. They will all be on the ground floor and located close together to create a learning hub. Parents will drop off and pick up from the top yard.
- Key stage 1 children will continue to have separate play times/ areas to the older KS2 children.

#### **Key Stage 2 –**

- Year 3 /4, Year 4/5 will be located upstairs.
- Year 5 and Year 6 have no change, they will remain upstairs.
- Key stage 2 children will continue to have separate play times/ areas to the younger children.

### **Which class is my child in next year?**

Nursery	Reception	Rec/Year1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 2/3	Year 3 /4	Year 4/5	Year 5	Year 6
Mrs Brennan	Mrs Watson/ Mrs West	Mrs Berryman	Mr Goldie	Miss King	Mrs Hills	Mrs Gallacher/ Miss Maxwell	Miss Wilson	Miss Watson	Miss Todd

## **Reminder of dates and times:**

**Year 1 / 2 class assembly – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July** We are looking forward to welcoming all parents of Miss Kings class to show all the super learning they have been doing this year!

**Reception graduation assembly – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 9:15am** We are looking forward to seeing all our fabulous Reception children graduate from Early Years.

**School fair – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** All children will finish school at 1:30. Please pick up your children promptly from the normal points and then join us for our brilliant annual summer fair. Fingers crossed for perfect weather. If you have any further donations for the tombola we would be very grateful.

**Attendance Coffee afternoon – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Jul at 2:30pm** All parents of pupils who have had a 100% attendance over the last 3 weeks will be invited. You will receive a text message on Friday to confirm.

**Visits new classes – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wed 12<sup>th</sup> July** All children will spend both mornings in their new classes with new teachers.

**Sports day - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July** - Reception and Key stage one will take place in the morning (approx. start 9:15) Key stage 2 will be in the afternoon (approx. start 1:15) Please bring along family and friends to help cheer along the children, a chair to sit on if needed and plenty of sunshine please! If rain spoils the day, we will let you know asap in the morning, but we unfortunately would not be able to rearrange this term.

**Summer Picnic – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** We would like to invite all families to share a picnic on the school grounds with their children. This was a huge success last year with many positive comments! Arrive at 11:50, find a sunny spot in the signposted areas for each class, set out your blankets / chairs and food and class teachers will bring out the children to join you.

**Year 6 leavers assembly – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July** There will not be a dry eye in the house when Year 6 parents are invited to see the final assembly of their children at Simonside!

**Last day of term – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July.** School finishes at the normal time 3:15, however we are happy for parents to collect at 1:30 (not earlier or later) if they would prefer. You must inform the office or class teacher if you decide to do this. We cannot let children go at other times as trying to co-ordinate the dismissal of 246 children can be tricky!

**First day back in September:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Dinner Money** - Please make sure all money owing is paid before the end of the term. We do not like having to spend time repeatedly asking for this to be paid.

**Attendance** – As you can see we have a very busy last 3 weeks at school! Please make sure your children are in school every day. We have been disappointed with our overall school attendance this year and really need to make sure this does not drop any further.

**Finally** – Thank you all for another brilliant year at Simonside and I look forward to seeing you at the lovely events we have planned over the next few weeks!

Kind regards,

*L Thompson*

Mrs Thompson  
Head Teacher