

## **Lakeside Primary School**

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Dear Parent/Carers

## Staffing for Academic Year 2024/25

Next year, the staffing structure at Lakeside will be:

Class 2024/25	Teacher
Nursery (Cygnets)	Miss Purshouse, Mrs Purshouse,
Reception (Ducklings)	Mrs Lomas/Mrs Youd and Mrs Vale
Year 1 (Owls)	Miss Robertson, Mrs Hall and Mrs Downes
Year 2 (Hedgehogs)	Miss Jones
Year 3 (Dragonflies)	Mrs Davies
Year 4 (Foxes)	Mr Burgess
Year 5 (Badgers)	Mrs Gardner and Mrs Butler
Year 6 (Swans)	Mr Swift
All Classes	Mrs Meads covering teacher's Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA)

As you will have probably noticed, there are a couple of names missing from our list. At the end of this academic year, Miss Cooper and Mrs Yardley will be leaving our Lakeside family.

Mrs Yardley has been a member of staff at Lakeside since 2012 and has taught across the whole primary phase. She has a wealth of knowledge and has been a valued member of the senior leadership team leading the Early Years unit and was instrumental in helping to open the school Nursery provision. Having given 12 years in the profession, she has decided to leave teaching and take up a new career path supporting some of the most vulnerable children in society as a Foster Carer. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all that she has given to the school and wish her and her family all the best for the future.

Although only being at Lakeside since 2021, Miss Cooper quickly established herself as a popular and highly regarded member of staff. Over the years she has been at school, she has always put the children at the heart of all that she does. Miss Cooper is often one of the first ones in the building and the last one out the door which just proves the dedication she has. I know she is sad to leave us but also extremely excited about starting her new life in York where I am sure the children there will benefit from her calm and fun outlook on life.

Although I will be sad to see both key members of staff leave, I wish them luck in their new ventures and remind them that they are always be welcome here.

When one book closes, another one opens and I am extremely excited about welcoming two new teachers to Lakeside. Both Mr Burgess and Miss Robertson will start with us in September and I am sure they bring lots of enthusiasm to school. They will be joining us in school next week as Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 will see us completing our transition week in school. During these days, the whole school will get to meet their new teachers and move to their new classrooms in preparation for September. We anticipate that this will be an exciting moment for the children as they prepare for next year. During these two days, please still drop your children off and collect them from their usual classroom door **NOT** their classroom for September.

Yours sincerely

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Mr N. Probert (Headteacher)