



MERIDIAN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

Learning for Life



Friday 11th July 2025

Mixing Reception Classes

Dear Parents and Carers

Every year when we are planning for September, we look at the classes across the school and make decisions about whether or not to mix the children up to create new classes.

This year we have made the decision to mix the Reception classes to support all children as they move up to Year 1. This will ensure they will be able to achieve their best next year and support their learning in Key Stage One.

The reason for this decision is that over the course of the year we have noticed an imbalance of children across the classes. For the new classes we have endeavoured to ensure that, where possible, there is an even mix in terms of girls, boys, children with SEND, children without SEND etc.

Miss. Caesar and Miss. Jones have worked hard to put together two classes that they feel the children will thrive in both academically and socially. The children will have the chance to mix into their new classes today and meet their new teachers and I know that they will feel positive about this next step and moving up to Year 1.

Please be aware that mixing classes is a difficult task as there are many different variables to consider, such as girls, boys, children with SEND, children without SEND, friendship issues, higher achievers etc. Whilst we have tried to ensure that all children have a friend from their friendship group in their new class, we cannot always guarantee this. If this happens, we always tell the children that they will still see their friends at break time and lunch time and actually they might make some new friends.

Please note we will not be able to accommodate any requests for changes to the class lists. We would kindly ask that you accept the class mixes and support the decision of the school.

We have attached a social story to share with your children if you wish to support them through this change.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Kind regards

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 Next year at school, your class is going to be mixed.





 This is a really exciting time!















 You will be with some children who have been in your








 class this year and some children who have not.





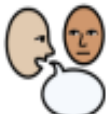











 It will be a change and you might feel worried. This is normal









 and there are lots of people you can talk to in school. You can talk to










 your teacher or TA, Mrs Newth, Mrs Harmer or Mrs Kirton.










 Enjoy meeting your new teacher and new class tomorrow!