

**St. Peter's**

Church of England Primary School

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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents

Further to my letter last week regarding the class structure for the next academic year, 2022-2023 I write with a further short FAQ document to supplement the main FAQ's that accompanied the initial letter.

As mentioned in my first letter we will update this if there are further common questions and answers to share. Please email any further questions you have to [admin@stpeters.ycway.uk](mailto:admin@stpeters.ycway.uk)

We look forward to continuing to work with you for the benefit of all our children. As always, please do contact us via [admin@stpeters.ycway.uk](mailto:admin@stpeters.ycway.uk) if you have any queries that are not fully addressed below.

Best wishes

Mr Paul Griffiths – Headteacher

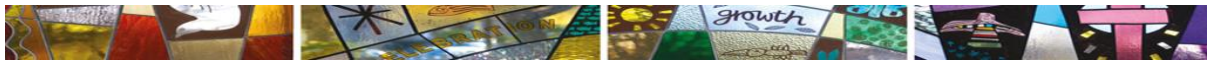
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## **Class Structure 2022-2023 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

We have updated our FAQ document with questions that have been asked since we published our class and staffing structure information last week. We hope families find this helpful. As needed, we will update this if there are further common questions and answers to share. Please email any further questions you have to [admin@stpeters.ycway.uk](mailto:admin@stpeters.ycway.uk)

### **Will each class have its own Teaching Assistant?**

No. We have a number of highly skilled teaching assistants working at St Peter's. They work very effectively as a team overall providing support across the school. Support is targeted and allocated based on need considering a number of factors. This means at some points a class may be supported by one or more teaching assistants. There are also times where it is appropriate for just the class teacher to be working with the class.

### **Is Miss Cole a qualified teacher as she has been working as a Teaching Assistant this year?**

Yes. Miss Cole is a fully qualified teacher. We have benefitted from having a qualified teacher working as a teaching assistant in school this year.

### **Will Miss Cole's Teaching Assistant role be covered by someone else?**

Miss Cole who has been covering for Mrs Tizick who provides support across several classes. We hope Mrs Tizick will be well enough to return to work in September. If this were not to be the case we would do all we can to cover her role until she is well enough to return.

### **Why have the Yr1/2 teachers from this year not kept their Year 1 children in Year 2?**

It would only have been possible for one of the three current Year 1 teachers to keep their year one children as two of the three teachers who currently have Year 1 children will be teaching in different classes or are moving to a new school. When looking at the classes for 2022-2023 we allocated each class the teacher that we felt best matched the needs of the class.

As is the case every year staff will undertake thorough handover to ensure teachers are familiar with the children in their next class.

While sometimes children will have the same teacher for two years this is not always the case. It is not uncommon or detrimental for children to have a new class teacher each year.

### **Are more support staff being recruited?**

Yes. At present we are in the process of recruiting two new additional support staff. We will continue to keep families updated regarding staff via our newsletters.

### **What if I have more questions about this?**

As needed we will update this FAQ document. Please email any further questions to [admin@stpeters.ycway.uk](mailto:admin@stpeters.ycway.uk)

If you have a more personal issue you feel needs to be discussed in person an appointment can be made with either Mr Griffiths or an appropriate member of the team by emailing [admin@stpeters.ycway.uk](mailto:admin@stpeters.ycway.uk)

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