



# Crookfur Primary School & Nursery Class



Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

I write to update you on a number of staffing changes within the school and nursery class. We do seem to be experiencing quite a lot of changes at present, with several members of staff successful in securing promotion.

Following interview, Miss Trish Scott has accepted a post as a Depute Head of Centre in a nursery in another authority and so will be leaving Crookfur Nursery in January. Miss Pamela Gourlay will act as our Senior Child Development Officer for the duration of Miss Black's maternity leave and will commence this post at the beginning of the new term. In addition to Mrs Roachford, we have requested a further supply Child Development Officer to fill the vacancy these changes create. In the meantime, Miss Adair will support our Blue group.

A temporary vacancy has been created in P2B as a result of Miss Shaw's promotion to Acting Principal Teacher in Thornliebank Primary. Miss Becky Cox has been with us since October working in the upper school to replace Mrs Stewart. I have asked Miss Cox to take on class teacher responsibility for P2B from January. Miss Cox has lots of experience teaching in early years and she is very keen to work with the class. In order to provide continuity for the children, Miss David will work closely with P2B and Miss Cox for the first two weeks back after the holidays and will continue as line manager for the stage thereafter.

The changes to Miss Cox's timetable will mean another change for P5A, and I apologise for this. I have asked Mrs Sarah Neil (who is currently working with us to cover Mrs Fry's maternity leave) to take over Miss Cox's teaching commitment in P5A. Mr Walker will continue as P5A class teacher and both Mrs Neil and Mr Walker will work closely together to ensure that disruption to the children will be minimal.

I understand that change can cause some anxiety for children and we will work hard to ensure that they are supported through these changes. Often changes cannot be foreseen and are outwith my control, however, please be assured that the interests of the children have been central to the decisions taken with regards staffing and timetables for January.

If you would like to discuss this further or would like any more information, please feel free to contact me at the school (0141 570 7120).

Kindest regards

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Head Teacher