## ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

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As we look ahead to the upcoming academic year, we would like to inform you of an important development regarding class groupings across the whole school.

Starting this September, we will be **mixing the classes** in each year group. This is part of our commitment to ensuring all children have the best possible learning experience, and we review class structures regularly to achieve this. This decision has been made thoughtfully and with the best interests of all our pupils in mind. There are several key benefits to this approach:

- **Social Development**: Mixing classes allows children to build new friendships and develop stronger social skills by interacting with a wider range of peers.
- **Balanced Learning Environments**: It enables us to create more balanced classes in terms of academic ability, learning styles, and social dynamics, ensuring every child has the best opportunity to thrive.
- **Fresh Starts**: For some children, a new class can offer a positive fresh start, helping to boost confidence and engagement.
- **Resilience and Adaptability**: Experiencing change in a supportive environment helps children build resilience and adaptability—important life skills for the future.

We understand that change can be challenging, and we want to reassure you that the process will be handled with great care. The Senior Leadership Team and the current class teachers will work closely together to ensure that each child is placed thoughtfully, considering their friendships and well-being but overall, their learning needs.

Children will obviously continue to have the opportunities to maintain existing friendships through playtimes, and we will support them in building new connections.

We appreciate your support and understanding as we implement this change. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or a member of the leadership team.

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June, you will receive an email informing you and your child which class they will be in and who their new class teacher will be.

We will then start the transition process for the children to make this as smooth and relaxed for the children as possible. To support the children, we have arranged opportunities for them to meet their new teacher and classmates, these dates are on the shared calendar.

Thank you for your continued support in making St Anne's a nurturing and inclusive place for all children to learn and grow.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs C Martin Headteacher

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