
St George's Central CE Primary School and Nursery



Wednesday 4th December 2019

Dear parents/carers (Y6NC),

Since I have been Headteacher at St. George's Central CE Primary School and Nursery, our usual arrangement for the Year 5 children in the Year 5/6 mixed class has been for them to be taught as a separate group of pure Year 5 children (by another teacher) for their morning lessons, and for them to all return back together as a Y5/6 class each afternoon. You will know from the time your child has attended our school that I am continually making subtle amendments to the ways that we work in order to improve the outcomes and opportunities for the children and I have recently taken the time to reflect upon our approach with the Y5/6 class.

Therefore, from January 2020, each morning, the Year 5 children in Y5/6 will remain in class with Mr Cooke as their teacher all day. The main change being that they will not go to Miss Gray and Mrs Morris each morning. Since September, there have been some days where we have already trialed this approach and your children have responded excellently. Feedback to me from Mr Cooke has been very positive and he is happy with the level of work the children in his class are producing.

The way that we now plan our teaching and learning means that the amount of times that Year 6 children need to be 'wholly separate' from other year groups has reduced significantly. At the times when Year 6 do need to be together, we are able to ensure that this is planned for and managed effectively. We feel that in taking this approach, there will be benefits for both the children in Year 5 and Year 6 in this class.

Should you wish to meet with me and Mr Cooke for an informal discussion about this, then we will both be available in the Y5/6 classroom on **Tuesday 10th December**. Please come to the main school entrance at **3:30pm or 6:00pm** should you wish.

Yours Sincerely

Mr M Grogan
Headteacher

'Never settle for less than your best'

Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.' John 8:12