



2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As this half-term term draws rapidly to a close I am writing to update you on some staffing matters. As is very often the case in schools who have had very few changes for a few years – suddenly we are having quite a few changes all at once!

At the end of this half term, Miss Fry will be leaving St Mary's. She has been with us right since her initial teacher training but has decided to take a short break before taking the opportunity to expand her experience in other schools. I thank her for all her hard work during her time with us – and know that she will be missed. Mrs Nanette Grover, a very experienced teacher who knows St Mary's well, will be taking over as class teacher of 3F after half-term and will be in school on Wednesday and Thursday next week for handover meetings with Miss Fry and to get to know the children. Parents will have a chance to say 'hello' around drop off and pick-up on those days and to meet her properly in parents' evening after half-term.

In 2W Mrs Mance, our maths lead, who infant parents know well from her cheery greetings on red gate at the beginning and end of the day, and Mrs Butler, who teaches PPA and therefore knows the class already, will be teaching the class in the summer term – supported by Mrs Womersley until she starts her maternity leave.

Miss Ramon will also be starting her maternity leave in the summer term. Miss Greenwood, who is very excited to be working with Mrs Wilson, will cover her teaching days and her SENCO role will be covered within the Inclusion team.

I thank all these staff for their dedication and support, and know I can rely on you and your children to give them every encouragement over the coming weeks.

Best wishes

Sarah Lewis

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