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Dear Parents

As this academic year draws to a close, I am sure that you will support us in your child's transition into their next class. I am pleased to announce that there will continue to be a seven-class structure at Hemyock Primary School and we are very pleased to be able to continue to maintain high levels of staffing across the school.

I would like to share the news that both Miss Quick and Miss Kerrigan have both secured new and exciting teaching positions in locations which are allowing them to follow their dreams in different ways.

Miss Quick has been successful in securing an EYFS teaching position in Al Ain in the UAE. This is an extremely exciting opportunity for her and we wish her great success, plenty of sunshine and hope to make continued links between schools. Miss Quick has been a fantastic team member who has given so much time to commitments beyond the school day and we know that her new school is very, very lucky.

Next year Miss Kerrigan will also be using her teaching talents in her new post as class teacher at Penrose School. This position will allow her to develop her excellent skills and keen interest in working with children with special educational needs. Miss Kerrigan has developed strong working relationships with families at Hemyock over a number of years and I know that these skills will be appreciated by her new school family.

At Hemyock say good luck to Mrs Hannah Smith who will be returning from her maternity leave and will be working at another school within Ventrus. We know that you will want to wish her well in her new role and thank her for her exceptional contribution to the life at Hemyock Primary School over a number of years as teacher, middle leader and Acting Head of School.

Whilst there is sadness in our goodbyes, there is pride in their achievements and excitement in their adventures. Please do find the time to wish them well.

We are thoroughly delighted to have recently recruited two excellent new teachers to our team at Hemyock, Miss Megan Manning and Miss Fiona Shanks. Miss Shanks is already known to the children as she has been teaching alongside Miss Sampson in Year 1 this term and Miss Manning is already working alongside our staffing team in preparation for September. We warmly welcome both teachers into our own school family.



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On Tuesday 3rd July, your child will have the opportunity to spend the afternoon in their new classroom with their new teacher. Each teacher will be available from 3.30pm to 4pm during that evening, if you would like to meet them in person.

We also welcome our newly appointed, experienced, SENDCo Mrs Kerensa Scillitoe to the team at Hemyock Primary School on Monday's and Tuesday's from September 2018.

The planned staffing and class structure therefore, for 2018-2019, is as follows:

Head Teacher Mrs Catherine Willcocks		SENDCo Mrs Kerensa Scillitoe
Year Group	Class Name	Teaching Staff
EYFS/R	Sun Class	Mrs Alison Field (EYFS and KS1 Leader)
Year 1	Earth Class	Miss Kirstie Sampson
Year 2	Moon Class	Miss Fiona Shanks
Year 3	Mars Class	Miss Megan Manning
Year 4	Saturn Class	Mrs Judith Thurgood (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) Mrs Catherine Gill (Thursday and Friday)
Year 5	Neptune Class	Mrs Chelsea Mann
Year 6	Mercury Class	Mrs Michelle Lockyer (KS2 and Curriculum Leader)

I personally, would like to thank all staff, pupils and parents for their support in my first year as Head Teacher at Hemyock Primary School. This is a special place to learn and work, with community at the heart of all who attend our setting. I do hope that you are all looking forward to the new opportunities that next year will bring and I hope very much that your child will be happy in their new class.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Catherine Willcocks
Head Teacher