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Dear Parents/Carers,

Today we have told the children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 who their new class teacher will be in September and they have seen this teacher when they popped into their classroom today. You will receive an e mail today letting you know your child's new class and teacher. The children are also aware of the friends they will be with from their own class. It looks like our bubble system is in place until at least the end of this term, so we will do our best with our transition plans. This is an exciting time for the children and we will keep the communication around transition as positive as we can. They will naturally feel a bit anxious, as you might do as parents and carers, but we can all do our best to support each other.

The classes will be as follows:

Barn Owl	Year 2	Miss Balachandre (4 days) Ms Brown (1)
Raven	Year 2	Miss Jay
Robin	Year ½	Mrs Coathup (4 days) Mrs Woodward (1 day)
Skylark	Year 1	Mrs Graham (3 days) Mrs Woodward (2 days)
Swift	Year 1	Miss Parke
Greenfinch	Reception	Mrs Greenwood
Goldfinch	Reception	Mrs Allen (3 days) Mrs Jennings (2 days)
Chaffinch	Reception	Mrs Jenkins
Kingfisher	Nursery	Miss Wood

Positive cases of Covid - w/b 14th June - We have had no positive cases this week.

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Our outdoor music performances for Year 1 and 2 need to keep within the Covid guidelines where no more than 30 can gather together. For this reason **only 1 parent can attend the events below. You can record the event on your phones as long as it is not shared on social media. This will mean the group of children performing will be a group of up to 30 and the parent group will be up to 30. We will put 30 chairs out socially distanced.**

This is the guidance:

Any parents attending outdoor events must adhere to current social distancing requirements. Where outdoors spectators can gather in groups of up to 30 – the legal gathering limit. Multiple groups of 30 are permitted.

Year 2 Outdoor Samba Performance for Parents and Carers – Monday 12th July.

We are excited to be able to let Year 2 parents know that there will be an opportunity for you to come and see your child perform their Samba drumming, outside on the playground, on **Monday 12th July AM**. Timings will be shared nearer the time. One class at a time will perform to their parents and carers. The children have had weekly Samba lessons and have made so much progress in a shorter space of time than usual due to the school closure in the Spring Term.

Year 1 Outdoor Capoeira Performance/lesson showcase for Parents and Carers – Tuesday 13th July.

We are excited to be able to let Year 1 parents know that there will be an opportunity for you to come and see your child take part in a Capoeira lesson, outside on the grass, on **Tuesday 13th July AM**. Timings will be shared nearer the time. One class at a time will perform to their parents and carers. The children have had weekly Capoeira lessons. This is a combination of dance, acrobatics and music. It is quite complex and you will be very impressed!

Safeguarding - Keeping children safe on their way to and from school.

We are concerned about the safety of children and parents walking and cycling to school. Please can all parents and carers drive slowly and carefully, when driving past school, and when parking. Please keep an eye out for children on pavements or on bikes. We had a very near miss this week and we don't want this to happen again as it is upsetting for all involved.

Please remember to look at our website to remind you of how safeguarding is always the main priority at Mousehold.

<https://www.mouseholdinfants.com/safeguarding/>

**Designated Safeguarding Leads
Mrs Westall, Mr Tolson, Miss Wood**

These members of staff monitor and manage all safeguarding practices and ensure staff are supported and have the training they need. Please ask to see one of these adults if you are worried about the safety of a child at school.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours then the number to ring is:

CADS – Children's Advice and Duty Service - 0344 800 8020.

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Wellbeing and Mental Health

We will be sharing some information on each newsletter about how we work to prioritise mental health and wellbeing in school for pupils and staff. Please remember we are always here to support families too.

Staff can sign up to our informal wellbeing buddy system where they are allocated a secret 'buddy' to look after for the half term. We support our 'buddy' with little mood boosters such as some chocolates, an affirmation/ positive note or a nice cup of tea delivered before the school day begins. **Looking after ourselves and each other as a staff team helps us to support our pupils and families.**

Our Mental Health Champions would like to share some mental health and wellbeing resources over the coming weeks which you may find useful-

Smiling Mind - www.smilingmind.com.au is a free app that offers guided mindfulness and meditation to manage feelings in different situations such as at school, home and sleep. This app can be particularly helpful for children and young people with anxiety.

Learning and Curriculum news

Each week we will update you on some aspect of our curriculum. This week it's all about **Sports and PE**.

As you may know the Olympic games is due to be held in Tokyo this summer. We are very excited to announce that Mousehold school will be completing a week of learning based around this event and the sports personalities involved. Our themed week, starting on Monday 5th July, will be called "**The Five Rings of an Olympian**". We will launch this event with an opening ceremony in school. We would like to invite all families to be involved in this but unfortunately not on the school site, due to Covid restrictions. There will be a dance routine for you all to learn at home on the VLE. Please send us your videos of you enjoying dancing as a family. We can then use these clips to create our opening ceremony. Throughout the rest of the week children will have a chance to look at what skills an Olympian may hold as well as completing in their own Olympic games. The week will end with workshops based around healthy eating and mental health with Community Sport Foundation and of course a closing ceremony celebrating the children's achievements. I hope you have all got your dancing shoes ready, we are excited to get moving together!
Mrs Greenwood, PE lead.

We have a Cleaner Vacancy

We are looking for a friendly, reliable and conscientious cleaner to join our hardworking cleaning team under the direction of our site manager, with effect from September 2021.

We are looking for candidates who are:

- Dependable team players
- Hardworking and take pride in their work
- Responsible, flexible, reliable and honest
- Able to work on their own initiative and to deadlines

Key duties will include:

- Being responsible for keeping the school clean and tidy for staff, children and visitors

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The hours of work are from 3pm-5pm, Monday to Friday, term-time only. £9.25 per hour.

An application form can be downloaded from the school website, or can be requested from the school office. <https://www.mouseholdinfants.com/2021/06/cleaner-required-2/>

Closing date for applications: **Wednesday 30th June 12 noon**

Interviews: **Wednesday 7th July from 1.30pm**

Dates for your diary:

Friday 9th July - Individual School reports will be sent home.

Monday 12th July – Year 2 outdoor Samba performance to parents and carers. Timings to be arranged

Tuesday 13th July – Year 1 outdoor Capoeira lesson for parents and carers to watch. Timings to be arranged

Friday 16th July - Last day of Summer Term

Monday 6th September – First day back at school for the children. Office open for phone calls from Thursday 2nd September.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours faithfully

Rebecca Westall

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