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Tuesday 17th June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

2025/26 Classes.

In the coming weeks we will be making our arrangements for the class groupings for September and informing you of these.

For clarity, and to avoid explaining to many individuals, I would like to explain these arrangements and how we make decisions around this.

We have three classrooms and four year groups, which means we have mixed age classes.

We are very much driven by cohort size as to the make up of these mixed age classes.

We have all the year 3 children with Miss Burrow and all the year 6 with Mrs Crellin and Mrs Troughton.

Depending on space in those classes, we organise the rest of the children to even out the class sizes.

Most of the year 4 and 5 children will go with Mrs Kemp and Mrs Shakespeare.

At some point in the children's time at Crich Juniors they will be with a teacher/s for two years.

To help us select which classroom the year 4 and 5 children go into we consider the following, in no particular order.

Ability.

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Relationships, both with friends and staff.

Social and emotional development.

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We understand that children prefer to be with their friends, and whilst this is always considered, it is not always the outcome we decide upon, unfortunately.

It is worth pointing out that children spend 1 hour 45mins each day at playtimes with their friends.

The children have all their maths, history and Science lessons together in year groups. (7hours per week)

They are mixed together as Y3,4,5,6 every Wednesday afternoon. (2hours)

They get to choose activities for 6 metacognition days and the full Festival of Fun week. (60hours)

Thus, they are given lots of opportunities to be with their friends, and we always listen to children's concerns, throughout the year, if they are particularly unhappy.

We have had three classrooms at Crich for many years now and the decisions we have made have proven to support children's development over their time with us.

We hope you trust our professional judgements.

Upcoming events.

140th Birthday Celebration Assesmbly

A short assembly with orchestra, singing and poems followed by birthday cake and a drink, hopefully outside on the field. Parents/Carers are all invited on Wednesday 25th June at 2:30pm.

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Please note. We would like children to wear Victorian style clothing on the party day. That could be waistcoats, cloth caps, short trousers, braces, collarless shirts, long skirts, lace trims, bonnets and aprons.

Sports Day

Thursday 26th June 1:30 on the school field.

Crich Open Gardens.

The school garden will be open for refreshments from 12-5pm on Saturday 28th June.

Scheherazade performances.

Wednesday 2nd July at 6:00pm

Thursday 3rd July at 2:00pm and 6:00pm

Festival of Fun week 7th-11th July.

Reports out 11th July.

Leaver's assembly and Y6 camp on the field.

Wednesday 16th July Assembly at 2:45pm.

School's out for Summer disco.

Monday 21st July in the Junior school. Infants 5:30-6:30 and 6:45-8:00. Tickets to be sold nearer the event.

Last day of School Tuesday 22nd July.

Yours faithfully

 Mr C Orridge Headteacher

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