



8th June 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

As the end of this academic year is fast approaching, we are able to inform you of the staffing arrangements for next academic year, 2026 – 2027.

Mrs. Usher will be commencing her maternity leave mid-September and so has not been allocated a class and Mrs. Jamal is leaving Cottingley Village Primary to take up a post in special educational needs. We would like to wish both members of staff all the best.

Careful consideration has been given to staffing for the next academic year. We are constantly thinking about the needs of the children, the skills of the teachers and where they would be best placed to give all children the best opportunities possible.

Early Years Foundation Stage

The nursery children will be given their new classes at the parent's transition meeting.

Year Group	Teacher/s	Support Staff
Nursery	Mrs. Legg	Mrs. Rayner
RD	Mrs. Dixon (Assistant Head Teacher)	Mrs. Carroll
RG	Mrs. Gallagher (was Miss McKell)	Miss Burns

Key Stage 1

Year group	Year Group	Teacher/s	Support Staff
2025 -26	2026-27		
RM will become	1H	Mrs. Harper	Mrs. Maxted
RD will become	1P	Mrs. Parsons (Assistant Head Teacher)	
1H will become	2W	Miss. Westgarth	Miss. Clarke
1J will become	2D	Mrs. Davison	Miss. Arshad Miss. Offlow (from Jan 2027)

In Key Stage 2 we have a couple of new staff. We welcome Mrs. Whitaker to Year 6. Mrs. Whitaker is an experienced Year 6 teacher who comes with a great track record. We also welcome Miss. Simpson who is passionate about teaching and is excited to join us at Cottingley. We are lucky to have both teachers.



Key Stage 2

Year group 2025-26	Year Group 2026-27	Teacher/s	Support Staff
2C will become	3R	Mr. Ruthven	Mrs. Moorhouse
2A will become	3O	Mrs. O'Malley	
3B will become	4W	Miss. Walker	Mrs. Greenwood
3GW will become	4C	Miss. Crowther	
4P will become	5G	Miss. Garratt	Mr. Sharp
4W will become	5S	Miss. Simpson	Mr. Slater (Mornings)
5O will become	6W	Mrs. Whitaker	Miss Callan
5U will become	6B	Miss. Bibi	Mrs. Midgley (Mornings)

Mrs. Boote will be supporting Years 5 and 6 and will add capacity to our teaching team.

Mrs. Connell and Mrs. Bailey will continue to cover all classes across school to give the teaching staff their planning and preparation time.

Mrs. Demain will continue as Learning Mentor and support all children across school.

Mrs. Leggoe will be on Maternity leave for most of the school year and her SENCo role will be covered by:

Mrs. Dixon – Early years

Miss. Crowther – Year 1,2 and 3

Miss. Bibi – Year 4,5 and 6

Miss. Dwyer – Resourced Provision.

Children will have the opportunity to work with their new teacher and support staff on the school transition day on **1st July 2026**. The children will need to be dropped off and picked up from **their new** classroom door. Staff will be around to help if needed.

We are again holding an open classroom event for you to visit your child's new classroom and meet the teacher. This will be straight after school on the 1st of July 2026 at 3.30pm. Please come to your child's new classroom door if you would like to visit the classroom and meet the staff.

Yours sincerely,

Kirsty Hutchinson

Headteacher