



# St. Walburga's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have traditionally mixed classes at different points in their journey through our school, and we have decided this year to do so for pupils moving into Year 3 in September.

This is common practice in many primary schools. It means that as they move through the school the children have the opportunity to make new friends, as well as maintaining the friendships they already have. It is also a good way of giving children a boost educationally – they enjoy the challenge of a new set of children to work with.

I want to reassure you that a great deal of thought will go into the class lists for next year.

The Year 2 teachers will plan carefully to ensure that there is a good mix in each of the classes, and to ensure that there is sufficient challenge and support in each. We already have a good idea of the children's friendship groups, but we will be asking your child this **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**, to name four children with whom they are friends with and would like to have in their class next year. We will explain to the children that they will not necessarily get all four, but that they will all be with at least one of their choices.

We would appreciate your support with this move. We understand that some children may feel nervous about the change – this is quite normal. We would like you to reassure your child and chat to them over the next couple of days about the move, and to help them decide which children they will name as their choices when we ask them on Wednesday. Please remember that this should be a positive process, and do not allow your child to focus on who they do NOT want to be with!

We will plan a transition event so that the children will get to know the other children in their classes. We will let you know in a few weeks what the new class lists will be for Year 3.

Thank you for your help with this,

Best wishes

Mrs Woodward & the Year 2 team