

Eastbrook Primary Academy

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Y5 Class Review and Organisation for 2022-23

Dear Parents/Carers of Children,

As we reach the end of the academic year, we are thinking about the organisation of your child's class. In the past, most children at Eastbrook have stayed with the school all the way from Reception to Y6 and, along the way, their personalities, friendships and academic strengths have gradually changed. In Y5, however, there has been a lot of change over the past few years and, as the children head into Y6, the imbalance in the classes presents some possible challenges to children's success in their last year of Primary School. We are therefore going to completely re-organise the classes in order to give children in next year's Y6 the best chance of success.

There are four reasons for to reorganise these classes:

- Make sure children are as happy as possible with the other children in their class
- Ensure the best possible academic balance so that all children succeed
- Keep a good balance of educational needs and personalities
- Give children the best chance of success in Y6 SATS at the end of the year

Y6 have normally been split into three sets for maths and English, then two classes for all other subjects. We are going to organise them into three mixed-ability classes for maths and English, with fluid classroom organisation in the afternoons to best respond to the children's needs. This will benefit all children in terms of end of year outcomes in SATS and the smaller class sizes (19-20 in the morning) will allow teachers to pay closer attention to their needs, while the flexible afternoon classes will be great for their social skills.

To help to ensure that children are happy in their new classes, we want you to nominate three children who you would really like your child to be with in class. We will make sure that we keep them with as many nominated friends as possible, with at least one of the children you list. Where we think a friendship is not beneficial 'in class' we will let you know.

Once we have reorganised the classes, we will publish the new morning class lists. If you are concerned about your child's new class, please contact us before July 20th, so that we can address you concerns. On July 20th we will finalise the lists for the new academic year.



We will ensure the following:

- Your child is with at least one of the children named in the form below
- They will mix with all members of the year group in the afternoons
- We will keep the classes under review all year and move children around if needed

We are excited to be able to try new things and to keep giving every child the chance to make sure that 'every day matters'.

Best Regards,
Mr. Wade
Please complete the slip below and return it to school by Friday 17 th June.
Your child's name and surname:
Current Year Group:
I would like my child to be placed in class with at least one of the following children:
Child name (and surname):
Child name (and surname):
Child name (and surname):
Signed:

Please return to the school office.