



# ST. ANDREW'S CE (VA) JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carers

I am writing to inform you of the changes which are being made to the teaching staff in class Australia. Unfortunately, our wonderful Miss Garside has secured another teaching position at a new school and will finish at St. Andrew's on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We wish her all the very best at her new school and want to thank her for working so hard at our school. The pupils in her care have been very lucky to have her as a class teacher.

Due to the dates in which teachers are able to resign to take up a new position and despite advertising as soon as we were able to, our newly recruited teacher will not be able to take up her position until 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Miss Davis will start with us then. Miss Davis is a very experienced teacher and comes to us from another outstanding school with experience of being a literacy leader and many years of experience teaching children in Key Stage 2.

As a result of this, we have had to make a decision as to who is best teaching the children in class Australia from January to April. Rather than using a supply agency, we have made the decision to have teachers who our children and school are familiar with. Mrs Harrison (class Australia's Year 2 teacher) will teach the pupils on a Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Clarke, our Assistant Head and Literacy Lead, will teach the pupils Wednesday-Friday. We know that our children are familiar with these adults and that this decision brings our pupils the best stability whilst we await Miss Davis taking up her new role with us.

Whilst I know that this change may bring some uncertainty for you and your child, please be assured that the teachers in place are extremely experienced and that Miss Garside will be handing over all of the appropriate information prior to leaving.

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to meet Mrs Clarke (or myself) prior to January, please get in touch via the school office and we will do all that we can.

Kind regards

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**Executive Headteacher**



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