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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers of children at Pirton,

We have now set our budget for 2026/2027 as our financial year runs from April to April. I am writing to you with details of class teacher allocations for September 2026 onwards. Teaching Assistant allocations are not yet confirmed and will be shared at a later date.

Next year we will once again run a 6 class model. This means that we will have exactly the same class structure next academic year that we have had this academic year: Reception (Wrens), Year One (Robins), Year Two (Swifts), Year Three (Kestrels), Year Four/Five (Falcons) and Year Five/Six (Owls).

No class size will exceed 30. The parents of the twelve children who are currently in Year Four, who will be split across Falcons and Owls, have been phoned today individually. No other year groups are split.

All teachers are entitled to 10% of their teaching time as non contact time for planning and preparation and assessment (PPA time). For various reasons, some teachers have additional release time.

Mrs. Shaw is reducing her working hours at Pirton to 0.4 (2 days) and will work in Falcons and Owls to teach the classes whilst the teachers have release time.

Mrs. Bailey, SENCO, will continue to be our SENCO supporting children with additional needs across our school.

In July, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Laura Hall who is moving to Bassingbourn Primary School in Royston. Mrs. Hall joined Pirton in January 2024 and over her 2 and a half years with us has taught in Year 3/4 and then Year 4/5 before moving to Key Stage One to teach Year 2. Mrs. Hall has been appointed as a Senior Leader at Bassingbourn Primary School and we wish her well for this next step in her career and we congratulate her on her promotion.

We welcome Miss Georgina Sysum who will be the Year 2 teacher, Miss Niamh Barlow who will be the Year 3 teacher and Mrs. Mary Jepps who will teach in Year 2 and Year 3 as well as some subject leadership release time across the school.

We are fortunate and delighted to have Mrs. Jepps and Mrs. Shaw teaching classes whilst teachers have non contact time. This is very high quality teaching whilst the class teachers have time out of class for planning, preparation and assessment and does not happen in all schools where different approaches can be used to cover this time.

For all of our teachers who remain at Pirton next year, we have ensured that they are either staying with a year group they are experienced with or moving up with the children they have taught this year. This is to provide consistency, continuity and strength.

We look forward to the start of a new academic year.

Kind regards,

Jenn Magdeburg  
Headteacher

Current Class		New Class	New Teacher	New Classroom
	will move to	Wrens Reception	Mrs. Chattey Mrs. Skeggs (1 morning per week)	Current Wrens classroom
Wrens Reception		Robins Year <b>1</b>	Miss Allen (Monday - Wednesday) Miss Dunham (Wednesday - Friday)	Current Swifts classroom
Robins Year <b>1</b>		Swifts Year <b>2</b>	Miss Sysum Mrs. Jepps (1 day per week)	Current Robins classroom (these children are staying in the same classroom)
Swifts Year <b>2</b>		Kestrels Year <b>3</b>	Miss Barlow Mrs. Jepps (1 day per week)	Current Kestrels classroom
Kestrels Year <b>3</b>		Falcons Year <b>4/5</b>	Miss McDonald Mrs. Shaw (1 day per week)	Current Falcons classroom
SOME CHILDREN IN Falcons Year <b>4</b>		Falcons Year <b>4/5</b>	Miss McDonald Mrs. Shaw (1 day per week)	Current Falcons classroom
SOME CHILDREN IN Falcons Year <b>4</b>		Owls Year <b>5/6</b>	Miss Tuck Mrs. Shaw (1 morning)	Current Owls classroom
Falcons Year <b>5</b>		Owls Year <b>5/6</b>	Miss Tuck Mrs. Shaw (1 morning)	Current Owls classroom
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