



Friday 24 November 2022

Staff Changes – January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Changes to Year 3 – 3T (Blackman)

I am writing to inform you of some changes to the teaching team in Blackman Class with effect from Term 3, after the Christmas holidays.

Mr Taylor, a very long serving and dedicated member of the Kingsnorth Family has decided that it is the right time for him to retire from class teaching at Kingsnorth. I know that you will join me in thanking him for his tireless commitment to the school and for shaping the lives of so many of the children in our care.

We are pleased to announce that Mr Taylor will continue to be an active and important part of our team and will take up the newly appointed role of Academic Mentor. This new role sits at the heart of our National Tutoring Programme Pledge, supporting a number of children in class and working with other groups of children for dedicated tutoring time. We will be launching the timetable for this new Tutoring offer by the end of this term.

We are delighted to confirm that Mr Strand will be joining us in January 2023 as the newly appointed Class Teacher. We have planned a careful transition programme with Mr Strand over the coming weeks in order to ensure that there is a smooth handover and an opportunity for you, as parents, to also meet him. We will share more details of this in due course. Mr Strand joins us with a wide range of experiences in Key Stage 2 and has previously worked in our school so may already be familiar for the children.

Mr Taylor has shared his news with your children today in class. We have reassured all the children that Mr Taylor will still have a very important and visible presence in the school and to ask any questions that they may have.

I am sure that you will join me in extending our warmest welcome to Mr Strand as he and the class begin their work together and continue the very great progress that they have already made in 3T.

Yours Sincerely,

Iain Witts

Executive Headteacher