



Castleford Park Junior Academy

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September Changes!

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we continue in the last half term of this academic year, the teachers have been carefully planning which class to place your child in for September. This letter explains more about this.

Class Allocation and meeting your child's new teacher

We strongly believe that placing your child within a new mix of children each year is essential for their social development. It provides many opportunities to build confidence, make new friends and equip each pupil with as many peers who they know and get on with well before they move on to High School. With this in mind, all classes will have a mixture of pupils who have not previously worked together when they are allocated a new teacher. Whilst none of our staff want your child to be unhappy coming to school, they may feel initially nervous if they have been separated from their best friend, or some of the children they have worked with previously. We would ask that you work with us to reassure your child that we have their best interests at heart. If there is a significant problem, an appointment can be made to see myself, or Mrs Roberts.

The children will spend three days with their new class teacher from **Monday, July 2nd to Wednesday, July 4th**. You will be able to meet your child's new teacher and ask any questions about the new year group your child is moving into on **Tuesday, July 17th** – straight after school, when we will hold an open afternoon. We look forward to seeing you there and really appreciate your support and involvement over the whole year.

Staff allocation

We are lucky enough to be keeping all our fantastic staff this year but some are moving year groups. Please see below...

Your child's teacher is highlighted:

Mr Booth – Y6	Mrs Ibbotson – Y6	Miss Nicholson – Y6	Mrs Ellam – 5/6
Mrs Sanpher and Mrs Wreglesworth – Y5	Mrs Hurdiss – Y5	Miss Bennett – Y5	
Mrs Nicholls – Y4	Mrs Wood – Y4	Miss Duggan – Y4	Mrs Bednar – 3/4
Miss Joshua – Y3	Miss Reed – Y3	Mrs Towell – Y3	

Wellbeing and PE development

As you may have noticed, Mr Thorpe is no longer class-based. This is because he is a trained, specialist PE teacher and will teach PE across school and take the lead on developing sport further. His first action is to request a slight change to the PE uniform – which is explained below. This change will be 'phased' into September so that parents have time to plan for this. We would ask that by October, all pupils are wearing a purple PE top rather than a house colour.

Primary Strategy
Director

Ms J Clarke

Headteacher

Miss K Law

Deputy
Headteacher

Mrs J Roberts

Assistant
Headteacher

Mr L Booth

Assistant
Headteacher

Miss S Duggan

School Business
Manager:

Mrs S Beedle

Chair of
Governors

Mr J Dossey



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Healthy Schools

Physical activity is integral to the good health of our children and thus, suitable PE kit is essential in ensuring that pupils access the PE National Curriculum to its potential and can participate safely and comfortably. We believe that a uniform kit encourages our children to have a sense of belonging to a community and promotes a feeling of pride and equality. With this in mind, we have made the decision to change our current PE Kit from: differing t-shirts that defined your child's house colour, to a new standardised kit.

Castleford Park Junior PE Kit is compulsory and will consist of the following from September 2018:

Outdoor PE kit

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| • PE Polo T-Shirt (logo) Purple | Better and Bright | £7.99-£8.99 |
| • PE Polo T-Shirt (no logo) Purple | Better and Bright | £4.99-£5.99 |
| • PE Polo T-Shirt (no logo) Purple | Asda | £2.50 (2 pack) |
| • Black/navy blue shorts | Generic | |
| • Black/navy blue tracksuit bottoms | Generic | |
| • Black/navy blue Sweatshirt | Generic | |
| • Trainers | Generic | |

Indoor PE kit

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| • PE Polo T-Shirt (logo) Purple | Better and Bright | £7.99-£8.99 |
| • PE Polo T-Shirt (no logo) Purple | Better and Bright | £4.99-£5.99 |
| • PE Polo T-Shirt (no logo) Purple | Asda | £2.50 (2 pack) |
| • Black/navy blue shorts | Generic | |
| • Black pumps | Generic | |

PE Kit can be purchased from Better and Bright, Asda or other local supermarkets.

We ask that other than our school logo, all clothing is logo free wherever possible. This is to ensure that all pupils feel equal and share the same standards.

I do hope you understand and support our decision, should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me. – Mr Thorpe

Thank you to all those parents who have managed to download and begin to use 'Bloomz' – this is proving a valuable communication tool for parents and teachers. If you are unsure how to join our Bloomz community, please come and see us in school and we will help you. We look forward to seeing you in the next few weeks in school!

Kind Regards,



Miss Law



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