



Merley First School

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Staffing update March 2023

Dear Parent/Carers

Mrs Rigby, Robin's class teacher (Mon- Wed), has decided that she would like to spend more time with her young family and will be leaving Merley at the end of the summer term. Mrs Rigby (previously Miss Thomas) has been at Merley for 8 years and has seen most of the children through the school. I would like to thank Mrs Rigby for her care and passion for the children of Merley and wish her well.

Mrs Luddington will be leaving us at the end of March. I would like to thank her for her dedicated work as pastoral lead, working with children and families across the school. Mrs Luddington has secured a very exciting new position in the NHS working in mental health, which is her passion. I wish her all the best for the future and please keep in touch!

If your child works with Mrs Luddington we will be putting support in place during the summer term whilst we recruit a new member of staff. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this further,

Mrs Debbie Barnett has continued to be absent from school since late in the Autumn term due to illness. Mrs Stevens has also been unwell this term and we hope to see them back at school soon. I know you will join us in wishing them well.

Miss O'Sullivan is now providing some support in Rabbits class (2R) alongside Miss Merrison.

If you have any questions about the above information please do not hesitate to contact me,

Kind regards

Katharine Anstey
Headteacher