

## **Dore Primary School**

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## Teaching arrangements for current year 5 from September 2017

Dear parents/carers of children currently in year 5

During the Spring term we begin the preparations for the coming academic year and thoughts turn to the arrangements for your children for September. Based on discussions with the staff in year 5 the decision has been made to mix the classes as they move into year 6.

The planning for mixing the classes has already begun; joint activities between the classes since the start of the year will help us with this and the recent residential to Castleton has provided us with additional insights. We will begin to draft class lists before the holidays and would like to invite parents to provide any key information about your child which school may not be aware of. Should parents feel there are new or longer term friendships which are working well and conducive to easing the transition we ask that you put this in writing to your child's teacher asap, but by Friday May 26<sup>th</sup> at the very latest.

We will not be asking children to express a preference for who they would like to be in a class with and ask that you begin to have discussions which will enable children to see the mix as a positive one and an opportunity to foster new learning partnerships within class.

Best wishes

Mrs Lynnette Glossop (headteacher)











