



**Christ Church**  
CE Primary School

Growing and Learning Together in Christ

**Head Teacher:** Mrs S. Howard

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers of Maple Year 5 class,

I am writing to let you know that Miss Smethurst has resigned from her post at Christ Church from the end of this term.

She has made a super impact in her relatively short time at Christ Church and we will miss her input for pupils and staff in both teaching and the children's development. She is moving on to a different role with children's services, still within the realm of education, but she hopes to spend more time supporting children with SEMH needs.

We realise that continuity and security is vital for pupils and so I am delighted, that rather than having to fill the class teacher role in Y5 with a supply or recruit a temporary member of staff, Miss Sutton has agreed to increase her part time role to full time for the remainder of this academic year and take on the Maple class teacher role. She already knows all the children well, so will be a familiar face to them, which should mean a smooth transition in January.

Miss Sutton will continue as our school SENCO and so Mr Beck will take the class when she is fulfilling that role. I will also be supporting alongside Mr Beck to deliver some of the PPA time.

Mrs Grundy remains the class Teaching Assistant.

We wish Miss Smethurst the very best for the future and I am sure you will join me in thanking her for the support and kindness she has offered to her class,

Yours sincerely  
Mrs S Howard  
Headteacher

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