



The Eliot Bank and Gordonbrock Schools Federation



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Dear Parents / Carers,

As we reach the end of another year at Eliot Bank, there is much to be proud of. We have continued to work together on our recovery curriculum, fully focused on ensuring that the children have fun in school, as well as continuing to achieve well. As the year has progressed, we have had many more opportunities to invite parents and carers back into school and, last week, it was great to see you all at our first 'in person' parents' evening since February 2019.

At the moment, all the information the teachers have about their class is being handed over to the new class teacher so everyone can begin next academic year fully informed and ready for the next steps. Looking forward to September 2022, I am confident that parents, staff and children will continue to work in firm partnership, as they have this year. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Thank you, also, to EBSA for their continued support for the school during this year. The Summer Fair, in particular, was a huge success and would not have been possible were it not for the incredibly committed team of EBSA volunteers at Eliot Bank.

As always at the end of an academic year, some changes of staff are inevitable, for many different reasons. We are sad to say goodbye to some members of our teaching staff.

Mrs Mistry has only been with us for a short space of time and we always knew that she would be leaving us at the end of this term to travel abroad. Mrs Sood leaves us for personal reasons and both Miss Eperon and Ms Green are moving on to new schools. All four teachers have contributed significantly to Eliot Bank – not least by teaching your children so well - over the years. They have also been great team members who will be missed. We thank them and wish them well.

Ms Parker is also leaving us to travel. Ms Parker has been a highly respected and valued Year Two practitioner for a number of years and she will be missed. We wish her the very best of luck and look forward to hearing about her adventures overseas!

Ms Grosvenor and Ms Addsee have both been great Reception practitioners during their time at Eliot Bank as well as instrumental Middle Leaders, leading the Arts and the Technology Teams, respectively. They have both supported staff with their development and organised many opportunities for the children to enhance and enrich their learning. We thank them for all they have done and wish them all the best for the future in their new schools.

Mr Chowdhury has been at Eliot Bank for 9 years, 3 of those as Assistant Headteacher. Many children have been fortunate to have him as their teacher, and many staff have benefited from his supportive leadership, when working as part of his phase team. I know that many will be disappointed to see Mr Chowdhury leave Eliot Bank – and I know for certain that his sense of



fun will not be forgotten! We wish him the very best of luck in his new school – thank you Mr Chowdhury.

Although the colleagues who are leaving us will, of course, be missed, we have recruited new teachers to our team who bring with them a wealth of skills, knowledge and experience which we are sure will benefit Eliot Bank children.

I am pleased to welcome seven new teachers to the Eliot Bank Team and I know they will be warmly welcomed by the Eliot Bank community. Bronagh Heaney, Muhsena Tuhin, Japo Okworobu and Rachel Dolan join us as class teachers. Rebecca Keen joins us as a class teacher and Middle Leader and Nawal Shamkhi joins us as class teacher and Assistant Headteacher.

Finally, in the spirit of collaboration, and the sharing of best practice, Hannah Lyttle joins us as class teacher and Middle Leader from our federation partner school, Gordonbrock Primary. Ms Lyttle has been an Eliot Bank parent and a Federation Governor in the past, so, although new to the teaching team, she already knows Eliot Bank well.

We are delighted that both Katie Foster and Shereen Lynch have joined us as permanent members of the teaching team this year and we are also very excited to welcome Sarah Bridgman back from her maternity leave, to resume her job share partnership with Maria Steadman, in Year Six. Natasha Hamilton, another very familiar face at Eliot Bank, will continue to be a PPA cover teacher next year, teaching a range of classes across the school during class teachers' weekly planning time.

Please find below the class teacher and teaching assistant allocations for September 2022:

New class allocations for academic year 2022-23			
Current Class	New Teacher	New Class Name	New Teaching Assistant
	Miss M Kelly	Nursery	Miss J Barclay (Nursery Nurse)
	Mrs B Heaney	Red Reception	Mrs S Hutchison
	Ms M Tuhin	Blue Reception	Mrs C Davis
Red Reception	Miss J Okworobu	1JO	Miss L Groombridge
Blue Reception	Ms N Shamkhi	1NS	Mrs H Hrkic
1NS	Mrs K Angyalova	2KA	Ms S Hussain
1BM	Ms R Dolan	2RD	Ms C Hackett
2LP	Mrs H Lyttle	3HL	Ms M Midmore
2CE	Mr S Green	3SG	Ms C Nunns
3DA	Miss K Foster	4KF	Mrs A Waheed
3JG	Ms S Lynch	4SL	Mrs G Riley



4PH	Miss R Keen	5RK	Mrs V Stanborough
4HC	Mr Rowland	5DR	Ms V Ackaah
5MS	Ms M Quinn	6MQ	Ms A Spiller
5SG	Ms M Steadman Ms S Bridgman	6SB	Ms A Spiller

I appreciate that there is a lot of information in this letter so if you are unsure about anything, please ask either myself, Ms McGuire, Mrs Osmond or Mrs Emirali. Alternatively, leave a message with the school office and we will contact you as soon as we can.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

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