

As a staff we are currently thinking about classes for next year. As you know we are a 45 intake school, which means we have mixed age classes. This means, as they do every year, the children and the groups that they are with will change. To ensure the children have a voice, we ask that they think about their 'learning friends'. Together with this information and obviously the information from the children's current teachers, who know them so well, we organise the classes for next year. We have been a mixed aged school for a number of years now, and we are experienced in making this work.

We are trying to do our best and ensure we are ready for September. In the current uncertain situation, we are asking for your help (Year 1 - Year 5). Could you ask your child to select four 'learning friends' and send this to their teacher on their class email? A learning friend can be anyone from their year group (not simply from their current class). We say learning friends as this is not just a case of who their current friends are but who will be effective for their learning in the year to come.

Please can you send your child's learning friends to their class email address by Friday 10th April.

As you can appreciate, organising so many classes presents logistical difficulties. but we will endeavour to ensure that your child has at least one of their chosen learning friends, more if possible.

Foundation staff have already had these conversation prior to school closing, they know the children's friendship groups really well and have used this information to support classes for September.