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Celebrating Staff Achievement and New Beginnings

As we approach the end of the school year, I am writing to share our staff news. We are preparing to say a sad goodbye to several valued members of our teaching team, but we are also absolutely delighted to share new beginnings and to introduce some fantastic new teachers joining us in September.

The upcoming changes are a direct reflection of something we are immensely proud of - our school's reputation as a place where teachers thrive and progress, where they build skills and further their careers. Every single one of our departing colleagues has shown incredible loyalty, commitment, and hard work. While we will miss them dearly (and we will definitely keep in touch), we are proud to have supported their growth and wish them every success as they take new and exciting next steps.

Celebrating Our Leavers

Hannah Bedwell (SENCO): After 13 wonderful years at Cuffley, Hannah is moving to an exciting new role in the independent sector. Hannah started with us as a student and has grown from a dynamic Reception teacher into a highly effective, deeply valued SENCO. She has been a passionate advocate for our SEND children and has supported so many families.

Also marking 13 years with us, Lisa Finch started her teaching career at Cuffley as a newly qualified teacher. She has taught across Years 2–5, led computing and humanities, and enriched school provision through her dance opportunities. She is moving into a new role which promises very different challenges, enabling her to further progress her career beyond Cuffley.

Charlotte Greaves joined us 9 years ago, from Barnet. Charlotte has been a dedicated class teacher, teaching across Years 1–3 and has been a fantastic Science Lead, securing us the Primary Quality Science Mark. She has secured a promotion to an Assistant Headteacher role, which is closer to home.

Rebecca Rowson also started her teaching career at Cuffley. After 6 years of teaching across Years 4–6 with us, and recently achieving a nationally accredited SENCO qualification, Rebecca Rowson has decided to leave the classroom securing a new role with Hertfordshire County Council supporting pupils with additional needs across the county.

Louise Joyce joined us as a teaching assistant in Key Stage 1, 6 years ago. We saw her potential and consistently encouraged her to secure a teaching qualification. We have fully supported her on her initial teacher training journey, and we are pleased that she has now secured her first substantive teaching role north of us.

Grace Hawksbee (Year 4) started her maternity leave in May – and is now the mother of a beautiful little boy. Funda Simsik (Year 2) is due to have her baby in August and therefore will start her maternity leave in the summer holidays. We wish our new mums well.

Looking Ahead: Welcoming New Team Members

I know that seeing familiar faces leave can feel unsettling, however, please rest assured that we have used this opportunity to recruit an exceptional blend of experienced specialists and enthusiastic teachers to further develop our offer. Our school remains a stable, vibrant environment, led by a committed senior leadership team who have 68 years at Cuffley between them (and even longer in the education sector)! There are robust transition plans in place to ensure your children are in fantastic hands and our new staff are currently visiting us.

We are thrilled to welcome (and welcome back) the following staff to our team from September:

We are delighted to welcome back Charlotte Lloyd from her maternity leave. Charlotte is incredibly excited to be taking on the SENCO role from September, bringing a wealth of teaching and leadership experience to this vital position. She will be supported by her senior leadership colleagues so that she can hit the ground running. She knows many of you well and is keen to make a positive difference to our SEND pupils and families.

Joe Naulleau, who has completed his initial teacher training this year, will be remaining with us in Year 6, his area of strength. We are delighted that he is starting his early career here at Cuffley.

Madeline Dean is a brilliant young teacher who will be joining Year 3. She brings lots of enthusiasm and fresh, creative ideas with her.

Joining our Key Stage 1 team in Year 2 is Lucy Waters, an outstanding, experienced teacher moving to us from Enfield. Lucy has already met her new class informally and has had an initial handover meeting. Lucy brings a geography speciality to the school and is eager to develop and enhance our practice in this important foundation subject.

Kayleigh Hanson (whom some of you will have met recently at home visits and our Teddy Bears Picnic) is joining our reception team. She brings over ten years of rich experience teaching across various early years settings with her. She is enthusiastic and looking forward to her new role with us.

Harry Reynolds, an experienced Hertfordshire teacher, will be joining Year 4. Harry has specialisms in maths, computing and PE. He is also eager to get involved in extracurricular sports provision.

We hope you will join us in giving our incoming staff a warm, vibrant welcome to our school community.

Thank you!

We are incredibly grateful for the dedication and commitment that our leaving teachers have given Cuffley. They leave behind a legacy of hard work and achievement. We wish them every success as they grow and develop their careers.

Class Allocation

Please find attached next year's class allocation. All staff will ensure thorough handovers with new teachers (some have started the process). Children will formally meet their new teachers on Transition/Meet the Teacher Day on Thursday 9th July. Early in the new term, you will have the chance to meet them in transition meetings. Also watch out for introductory posts on Google Classroom.

What's On

09.07.26	Transition Day/ Meet the Teacher
16.07.26	Year 4 Residential Cuffley Camp
22.07.26	End of Term – School Finishes at 1:30pm
01.09.2026	INSET DAY
02.09.2026	Children return to school at normal times

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Class Allocation

Payment deadline dates

Dinner Money	On going
Nursery Fees	On going
Cuffley Camp	On going