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Learning together inside and outside the classroom

10 July 2026

Staffing update

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to confirm that we have appointed Miss Johnson to join us as a teacher in September 2026. Miss Johnson will be covering Mrs Rogers' maternity leave and teaching Windrush class. Although Miss Johnson will be teaching the class from the start of the new school year, Mrs Rogers will also be in school when we come back after the summer break and the two teachers will work together to enable the children to have a smooth transition.

Miss Johnson has taught the full age range – she began her professional life in education in adult vocational education creating apprenticeships and workplace pathways for young people and mentoring and training students. She then moved to working with secondary aged children before realising that her passion lies in the primary phase where the roots are put down and the foundations laid for what she knows comes later.

She impressed the interview panel with her teaching, during which she immediately built a strong rapport with the pupils who grabbed hold of Dexter and ran with the lesson developing his story in an imaginative and engaging way. She also impressed our school council with interesting answers to their questions and a lively conversation!

We are looking forward to welcoming Miss Johnson to the Isbourne Valley School team in September.

Yours faithfully

J R A Godding

Mr Godding
Headteacher