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Dear Parents,

## **Class Organisation Process**

Currently, we have six classes at High Littleton Church of England Primary School with 176 pupils for September 2020. Therefore, there will be a need to split the year groups, in order to place children in our classes. This is never an easy process and it is given a good deal of thought by staff and governors, over several months running up to the final decision. Every year the process is reviewed to evaluate how effective the previous decision was, both in terms of the academic and social development of the pupils. The decisions are then guided by the number of pupils in each year group and their particular needs and strengths.

We have set out the following points, which are used to make the final decision, in order to help parents have a better understanding of the process.

- The age of pupils across the year group
- Ability in Maths and English
- Social and Emotional development
- The overall class size (infant classes must be below 30)
- The balance of class sizes across the school

The prevailing philosophy is that the right decision is made for that group of children, at that time. This means that whilst the process remains the same, the result may be a different structure each year. This has to be our decision and parents must trust the judgement of the teaching staff.

We hope that this goes some way towards clarifying the process of class organisation and re-assures you that this subject is given the greatest consideration by staff and governors.

Confirmation of your child's class for September will be sent out during the next few weeks.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate in contacting the school.

Yours sincerely,

Gareth Griffith Headteacher



"Love each other as I have loved you." John 15:12

