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Head's

Update

KEEPING YOU INFORMED FROM MRS O'CONNOR

Alfred Lord Tennyson School Information

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the 'soon to be' Headteacher of Alfred Lord Tennyson School which will be in operation from September 2023. Our staff and governors are very excited about the amalgamation and we wanted to take the opportunity to begin to share with you our plans. As I am sure you can appreciate, this has been a lengthy but thorough process and lots of planning has been needed. Now that many aspects are being finalised, I hope to be able to send you a weekly update.

I would like to take the opportunity to share our brand new logo which can be found at the top of the page. Children at both sites took part in a design a logo competition for the new school and the inspiration for our new logo came from Nicolai in Year 5. His design was then expertly transposed by Tony Crowley, Site Supervisor at Tennyson Road, who is also a graphic designer.

For September 2023, it has been decided that our Early Years children and Key Stage 1 classes will remain at the Tennyson Road site and our Key Stage 2 children will remain at the Alfred Street site. As Headteacher of the Primary School, I will split my time across both sites, as will our Senior Leadership Team—Mrs Smith our Assistant Head, and Mrs Appleby our Inclusion Manager. Our long term aim is that eventually we will all move onto one site but a separate process for this needs to be undertaken and building work would need to take place. Next academic year, we will keep you informed about how these plans are progressing and we will ensure that any move onto one site, is at the right time for the children of Alfred Lord Tennyson, so that we can avoid disruption to learning and prepare them adequately for a move.

In September 2023, our Tennyson Road site will also continue to be shared with Rowan Gate Specialist Provision. Rowan Gate provision will continue to be a satellite provision run by Rowan Gate Leadership Team.

Over the coming weeks we will be holding information sessions for our new Reception and Year 3 intake (see separate information). Our Year 2 children have started their transition to KS2 and familiarising themselves with the Alfred Street site. Staff have also started to work together to prepare for September. We are in the process of finalising our new uniform and we will share further details with you next week.