



Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019

## Welcome Back, Everyone!

As the 2019/2020 academic year begins, I am excited to welcome everyone back to school for what I know will be another fantastic year for us as we continue our journey to learn, grow and improve – excellence can be achieved together! I would like to take this opportunity to say a very special welcome to the new pupils who have joined Redlands this year; I hope that you are as excited as I am to become a part of the Redlands community.

I hope that you have had a fun-filled and restful summer holiday and are ready to begin a year full of exciting learning journeys, along with an abundance of opportunities that have been planned for the children of Redlands. Parents, your support in helping your child to be the best that they can be, is invaluable for their future success. As a school, we look forward to working closely with you, to open endless avenues for your child to take on their learning journey through primary education.

**I am pleased to inform you that there will be 'Open Classroom' sessions during the first full week of term. The purpose of these sessions is for the class teachers to share with parents, their expectations for the upcoming school year (e.g PE days, homework, timetables, behaviour expectations, trips etc). Sessions will be presented by the year group class teachers as a whole and will be held in one of the year group classrooms – please see attached the date and location of your child's Open Classroom session.**

As we start the new academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new members of staff to Redlands. Joining our strong leadership team is Mrs Louise Saunders, who will be our Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo. She will also be teaching in EYFS every Friday. Also joining the Redlands team is Mr Owen, who is our new Sports Coach. He will be teaching part of the PE provision that your child will receive each week. This year, your child will participate in two PE sessions each week (one taught by Mr Owen and the other being taught by your child's class teacher). Joining the teaching team this year is Miss Peel in EYFS, Miss Moffatt in Year 1, Miss Scott in Year 2, Miss Farley in Year 3 and Miss Cliff in Year 4. I hope that you will join me in wishing them well as they begin their journey as part of the Redlands community.

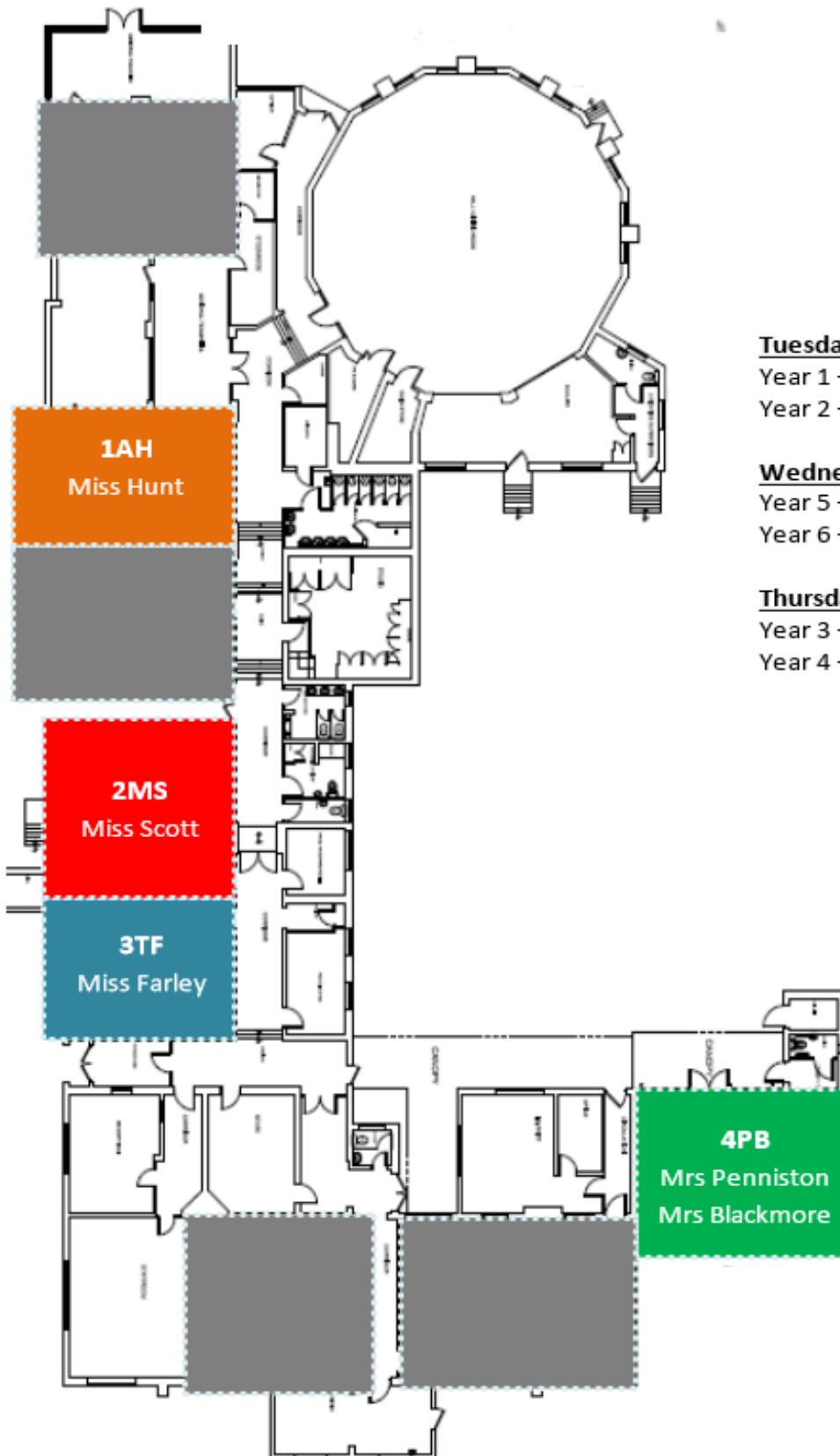
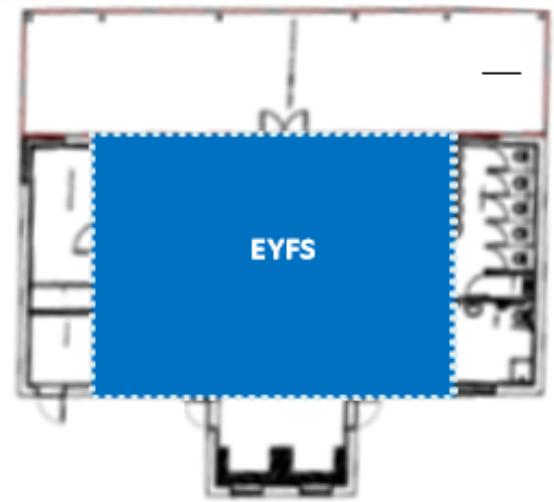
I am passionate about ensuring that as a school, we maintain a high level of communication with all stakeholders. With this in mind all communications will continue to be via our website, emails, weekly updates, letters and Coffee and Chat sessions. We will also be providing parents with a key dates calendar to support our families in preparing for the year ahead. Please note that not all events/trips, etc will be included at this time; however, we will endeavour to provide parents with plenty of notice of upcoming events.

I understand that there may be times during the year when you need to discuss your child's education and/or well-being. Please be reminded that if this is the case, parents should speak to their child's class teacher in the first instance; should you be unable to discuss your query at the start or end of the school day, please contact the school office to arrange a mutually convenient time to discuss your queries.

I am very eager to ensure that this year is a successful one for all and, along with the changes that inevitably happen in any given school and between every academic year, I would like to continue to improve as a school with the support of our staff, parents, children and wider community. I hope that you will join me in realising the potential that all our children behold and help us to create a year to be proud of.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Michelle Tobin  
Headteacher



### Open Classroom Sessions

#### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – 3.30pm-4pm

Year 1 – Miss Hunt's Classroom  
Year 2 – Miss Scott's Classroom

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September – 3.30pm-4pm

Year 5 – Miss Stretton's Classroom  
Year 6 – Miss Riley's Classroom

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September – 3.30pm-4pm

Year 3 – Miss Farley's Classroom  
Year 4 – Mrs Penniston/Mrs Blackmore's Classroom