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*'Sharing Kindness,
Challenging Ourselves and Others,
Achieving Excellence'*

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Dear Parents and Carers

Class Transitions for September 2026

As we begin planning for the new academic year, we are pleased to share our class transitions for 2026–2027. To support a smooth and positive move, children will have opportunities to visit their new classrooms and meet their new teachers before the end of term. We look forward to supporting all children through this exciting next step in their school journey.

Class transitions:

- Robin → Goldfinch (Mrs Devanny)
- Sparrow → Kingfisher (Miss Olden)
- Goldfinch → Swallow (Mr Doul)
- Kingfisher → Blackbird (Miss Weston)
- Blackbird → Owl (Miss Milne & Mrs Smith)
- Swallow → Jay (Miss Gibson)
- Jay → Wagtail (Mrs Hobbs)
- Owl → Swift (Miss Macadam & Miss Somerville)
- Wagtail → Woodpecker (Miss Penny)
- Swift → Nightingale (Miss Keen)
- Woodpecker → Falcon (Mrs Maxwell & Mrs Turner)
- Nightingale → Kestrel (Miss Anderson)

You will also notice that we have welcomed two new teachers to our staffing team for the new academic year. We are delighted to have them joining Golden Valley and are looking forward to working alongside them. We are confident that they will bring a wealth of experience, enthusiasm, and fresh ideas, adding great value to our already wonderful school community.



New class teachers 2026-2027



Miss Olden



Miss Keen

We have shared this information with the pupils today, alongside a transition social story. Current class teachers have given pupils the opportunity to ask questions and discuss any worries or concerns they may have about the changes ahead. We will continue to check in regularly with the children throughout the transition process and provide any additional support they may need. As always, we are committed to making the move to their new classes as positive and seamless as possible for all pupils.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R Riordan'.

R Riordan
Headteacher

