



Dear Parents/Carers,

F.A.O. parents of children in Mr. Hunt's class and Science groups.

I write to update you on the current staffing issues for these groups. Mr. Hunt has now left Penkridge Middle School.

I have appointed an excellent, very experienced Science teacher, Mr. McHale, who will join the school on a permanent basis to take over these groups.

Unfortunately, as Mr. McHale currently is teaching GCSE groups he is not able to start here on a full time basis until after June half term. Mr. McHale will however, be regularly coming into school after Easter getting to know the groups. During the afternoons when he is in, I am planning on him doing some practicals and some catch-up lessons with Mr. Hunt's classes.

In the short term, Mr. Hunt's classes will be covered as follows:

Mrs. Thomas and Mr. Disley will teach groups this week and next week.

After Easter we are hoping that Mrs. Harrison, who is an experienced Science teacher, will join the school on a temporary basis to teach Monday – Thursday with Fridays being covered by Mr. Disley. Miss Northwood, our Head of Science, will continue to plan/oversee the planning of work set.

I have also arranged to meet senior staff at WHS in terms of setting for our Year 8 going into Year 9, to ensure that the disruption that these groups have had is taken into account in terms of groupings for next year.

I am hoping to confirm all of these arrangements over the next week. Thank you for your patience in the matter.

We will also send out interim Science reports for the groups that did not have Parents' Evening. These were produced by Mr. Hunt and Miss Northwood, prior to him leaving

Yours faithfully,

Head Teacher

