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Orange Class Teacher – January 2017

Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that from January 2017 Mr Tom O'Rourke will be the class teacher for Orange Class.

Mr O'Rourke is currently teaching in a small rural school, in a mixed year group Key Stage 2 class, so comes with experience and knowledge of planning and teaching for such classes. He is an enthusiastic and committed teacher who is really looking forward to joining our team at Chawton and he is excited to get to know the children and yourselves as parents better in the new year.

As part of the transition, Mr O'Rourke will be in school on Monday 12th December. He will spend the day in class with the children, working alongside them and talking to them to begin to establish good relationships. He will also spend time with Miss Quirk to enable her to pass on important information about each child and where they are in their learning so far. Miss Quirk has worked tirelessly throughout this term to ensure that her planning and assessment records are detailed and up to date to ensure that this handover is as smooth and successful as possible and he continues the excellent teaching, learning and opportunities for the children in Orange Class.

I apologise for the unsettled time while we have tried to recruit; it has been important to us that we have found the right teacher for the children and our school community and not settled for less. I thank you for your patience and support during this time.

Mr O'Rourke will be around in the playground after school on Monday 12th December, and we hope that many of you will get an opportunity to meet him; however he will also ensure he is available at the end of school in September if parents wish to informally meet him.

I would also like to take this opportunity to formally thank Miss Quirk for her commitment and dedication to Chawton CE Primary School and in particular the children in Orange Class over the last term. She is a valued member of our team and has made a real difference at an unsettled time for the children.

Yours sincerely

Dawn Tilley