

20th May 2022

Orange Unit

'When two become one'

Dear Parents.

I am writing to let you know about a very exciting development at Park Grove Primary. We have decided, after many months of careful planning, to merge our Red and Yellow classes. We will then have an 'Orange Unit'.

We will be creating a barrier that separates the rest of the KS1 corridor so that the children of the current Red and Yellow classes can move freely between both classrooms and in the central area. This will maximise the space available and give the children much more room to move, play and learn.

The advantages of this change are as follows:

- There will be room to expand into the central area which will create more areas of provision (learning spaces).
- All children will have 'free flow' access to the outside area rather than having to use this at scheduled times.
- The teachers can work together flexibly so that the children have access to different teaching styles and expertise.
- The Reception children will have many more opportunities to be together as a whole cohort and will get the same opportunities.
- The Year One children (from current Yellow) will have increased opportunities to work as a much smaller group for specific teaching sessions.
- The Year One children can also benefit from the increased play opportunities.
- All children will have much more space.





The new drop off and pick up point for all children in the Orange Unit will be near the Dudley Street gates at the side of the building (the same doors that KOOSH would use). The staff will be there to greet the children in the usual way from 8.35am. Please don't worry if you get the wrong door at first because we will have staff on hand to guide you.

We really hope that we will see immediate benefits for all children in the current Red and Yellow classes.

This change will take place when we return from the half term break (6th June)

Best wishes,

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