



**Lord Deramore's
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Headteacher Update – June 2018

Academy Conversion Update

A letter has been sent out today from the trustees of the newly-established South York Multi-Academy Trust. School governors are continuing to work closely with the MAT board and updates regarding any confirmed conversion dates or developments will be sent to you as soon as we hear anything.



**South York
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Staffing Updates



Staff and governors are currently reviewing staff deployment for next academic year. At the earliest opportunity, I will write to you all so that you are fully aware of who your children will be working alongside next year.

At the new starters meeting last night, I did have to disclose that I have finally persuaded the talented Mrs Carr to work full-time in Early Years Foundation Stage (Reception) from next September alongside Mrs Bradley. Do not worry, however, as no members of staff (including the wonderful Mrs Jones) are due to be leaving us. We have needed to make some changes because of working pattern requests, year group preferences and staff skillsets - plus what we ultimately believe will work well for the children and school as a whole.

Midday Supervisory Assistance Vacancies

If you are interested in being available to support our school's midday supervisory assistance team, please do pop into the school office to collect an application form. We are looking for friendly, professional and caring individuals who are available to work either on a casual or fixed-term basis, ensuring our children have a happy and safe lunchtime. Deadline for this round of applications is Friday 29th June 2018. Job description, salary information and application forms will also be available on the school website in the next few days.



Road Safety Update



Thank you to all of the parents and families who contacted City of York Council regarding our shared concerns about road safety near our Field Lane pedestrian entrance. The governing body recently contacted our local councillors and we received the following formal response from Trish Hirst (Road Safety Officer, City of York Council):

Myself and Highway Engineers looked at the problems in March of this year and as a result, improvement work is planned for this financial year - 2018/19.

There are a number of options that will all be considered and I am optimistic that we should see changes take place to improve the situation this financial year.

We will update you all whenever we hear further news but please rest assured that we will continue to push the council on this issue. For now, please continue to be mindful of the dangers posed by the traffic in this area.

General Data Protection Regulations

As a school, we are working hard to ensure that our systems and processes are fully compliant with the new GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations). Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing with you our finalised Privacy Statement and policy, Information Asset Register (the list of data we hold) and your rights as parents and carers relating to requesting the information we have. A new parent/carers consent form has recently been devised and this will be sent out to you shortly. One new form per child will need to be completed. If you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me at school under one of my latest titles – the *Data Protection Officer* of Lord Deramore's Primary School.



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Please do remember to visit our Facebook and Twitter pages regularly to gain an insight into all of the school's exciting work, projects, visits and visitors.

As we start the final half term of the academic year, I look forward to seeing many of you at the events we have planned. From outdoor learning week to our summer musical production (which this year is *Oliver!*), this really is a busy yet fun period of the academic year and one which the children thoroughly enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support and the hard work of all of my colleagues in making sure that your children are safe, happy and thriving at school.

Very best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Rourke'.

James Rourke
Headteacher