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Dear Parents and Carers,

Class Name Changes

Our Diversity Council have been working hard behind the scenes over the last two terms to agree and implement our new class names. As part of Science Week, we were delighted to announce these to the children. Each class then spent the day finding out about their namesake and their achievements and contributions to society. This marks an exciting new chapter in our school history!

The process has been carefully considered and has involved the children at every stage. We initially sought the views of our stakeholders – children, parents, governors and members of the community – and asked for suggestions for names that would be suitable. We had an overwhelmingly positive response with over 130 suggestions for names. Diversity Council then created a shortlist based on the following criteria:

- Does the person embody our school values?
- Does the person fit our school theme and culture of ‘discovery’?
- Do we have good representation amongst our class names so that the messages of ‘everyone is welcome here’ and ‘everyone can be the best they can be’ are clear?
- Are the names fitting to our school’s history, traditions, curriculum and context?

We then asked classes for preferences and allocated our names before presenting our proposals to the school’s senior leadership team to be ratified.

We are delighted to announce that some of our class names will **be changing after the Easter break**, as follows:

Reception	Einstein Class <i>Named after the physicist, Albert Einstein</i>	Newton Class <i>Named after the mathematician, physicist and astronomer, Isaac Newton</i>	Jenner Class <i>Named after the physician and scientist, Edward Jenner</i>
Year 1	Darwin Class <i>Named after the evolutionary biologist, Charles Darwin</i>	Goodall Class <i>Named after the primatologist, Jane Goodall</i>	Earhart Class (previously Faraday Class) <i>Named after the aviation pioneer, Amelia Earhart</i>



Year 2	Edison Class <i>Named after the scientist and inventor, Thomas Edison</i>	Gilbert Class (previously Bell Class) <i>Named after the biological scientist Professor, Sarah Gilbert</i>	Attenborough Class <i>Named after the biologist and natural historian, David Attenborough</i>
Year 3	Curie Class <i>Named after the Physicist, chemist, & 2 times Nobel prize winner, Marie Curie</i>	Nightingale Class <i>Named after the nurse, Florence Nightingale</i>	Seacole Class (previously Pasteur Class) <i>Named after the nurse, Mary Seacole</i>
Year 4	Berners-Lee Class <i>Named after computer scientist and inventor of the world wide web, Tim Berners Lee</i>	Jemison Class (previously Archimedes Class) <i>Named after the engineer and astronaut, Mae Jemison</i>	Thunberg Class (previously Hubble Class) <i>Named after the environmental activist, Greta Thunburg</i>
Year 5	Hawking Class <i>Named after the physicist and cosmologist, Stephen Hawking</i>	Jackson Class (previously Dyson Class) <i>Named after the mathematician and aerospace engineer, Mary Jackson</i>	Johnson Class (previously Armstrong Class) <i>Named after the mathematician and NASA computer scientist, Katherine Johnson</i>
Year 6	Winston Class <i>Named after the doctor and scientist, Professor Robert Winston</i>	Galileo Class <i>Named after the astronomer, physicist and engineer, Galileo Galilei</i>	Turing Class (previously Peake Class) <i>Named after the mathematician and computer scientist, Alan Turing</i>

The children have shown wisdom and cultural intelligence beyond their years throughout this process and we are so proud of them for the work they have done and the contribution they have made to the school's history.

With kind regards,

Hannah Pullen *she/her/Mrs*

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