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CHANGE OF AGE DECISION

Dear Parents/Carers,

As promised, we write with an update relating to a change of age range for Himbleton from First (3-9 years) to Primary (3-11 years).

Following a very thorough and diligent consideration of all elements and factors relating to this decision during a full governing body meeting on the evening of Tuesday 6th October, the governors voted unanimously in favour of this decision.

Through the vast amount of work that has been done, the governors feel confident that Himbleton can provide a high quality curriculum and wider experience for upper Key Stage Two that involves working collaboratively with other local primary schools, quality transition arrangements to high school, a secure pathway for our children at the end of Year 6 and the required accommodation for an extra class.

Governors believe that this is the right decision to enable choice for our families, consistency in terms of their educational experience for our children and to secure the long-term viability of our lovely school in a changing local educational landscape.

Therefore we are writing to confirm that, from September 2021, Himbleton will be accepting Year 5 pupils, with Year 6 being part of our school family from September 2022. All relevant parties have been informed.

A separate letter has been sent to current Year 4 parents with more detail regarding specific provision for Year 5 in academic year 2021/22.

We thank you for your patience throughout what has been complex process, particularly during the context of COVID-19.

Kind regards,

Gemma Martin (Headteacher)

Claire Johnston (Chair of Governors)