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Dear Parents and Carers,

Maths Bands

I am writing to inform you about the organisation of maths lessons whilst your child is at West Leigh Junior School.

In order to ensure we provide the appropriate teaching to suit all children's needs, we employ an additional teacher for maths in each year group which allows us to split the children into 5 classes. We cater for three different bands in maths which internally are known as band 1, band 2 and band 3. We do not share the band with the children, we simply tell them who is going to be their teacher.

Band 1 works at a fast pace and provides children working at greater depth across the maths curriculum to achieve their full potential. In band 2 there are slightly less children and more opportunity is given to consolidating the Year 3 curriculum. Band 3 is designed to offer additional support and personalised attention. There is also additional support timetabled in this band from learning support assistants so that each child's needs can be met.

- Band 1 will be taught by Mrs Millham and Mrs Goldhawk
- Band 2 will be taught by Miss Playfair and Mrs Nash/Mrs Mitchinson
- Band 3 will be taught by Mrs Thompson

Your child had their first session in their maths band today so they will be able to tell you who will be their maths teacher. Teachers assess children continually and the bands are flexible. If at any point we feel that your child is not in the appropriate band, we will move them to ensure they are appropriately stretched and challenged or supported more fully.

Yours sincerely,

Executive Headteacher