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Dear Parents/Carers

On behalf of both Barnes Farm Schools, I am writing to inform you of an exciting new collaboration between the Infant and Junior School.

From the end of this term, the children across both schools will be allocated a House group which they will remain in as they move through the Infants and then into the Juniors.

Through discussions with both School Councils, the House names will be:

- Pegasus
- Dragon
- Griffin
- Phoenix

The houses will represent a set of values which will be discussed with the children. Each staff member across both schools will also be allocated a House with which they will support.

Over the past year, we have been in discussions as to how we can increase the opportunities available for collaboration and after successful events such as the Commonwealth picnic, we are keen to continue promoting opportunities for the children to work together.

Through the new House system, children will be able to work together/compete against each other in a range of both sporting and academic activities.

Families will be allocated the same house and children will be given the opportunity to design and create their own emblems and mascots. Therefore houses will look slightly different in each school but will work towards the same goals.

We will be in contact again before half term to provide further information about which House your child has been allocated and to let you know about our exciting competition to design each House emblem.

Kate Mills
Headteacher

Ross McTaggart
Headteacher