



The Pochin School

Policy for
Vertical Grouping

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Vertical Grouping Policy

There are five classes in The Pochin School. Classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 have mixed year groups. They are composed of the following year groups:

- Class 1 - Reception & Year 1
- Class 2 - Year 1 & Year 2
- Class 3 - Year 3 & Year 4
- Class 4 - Year 4 & Year 5

Where a year group is split, the younger children of that year group are with the younger of the two year groups. For example, Year 1 is split between Classes 1 & 2, the younger Year 1 being in Class 1 and the older in Class 2. This split is based on the children's ages.

However, only in very exceptional circumstances can this system be overridden if the Headteacher deems that it is in the child's interest to be in the other half of the split. This is usually based on a child's Special Needs, including disability.

Class 5 is a single year group of Year 6 children.

The Head Teacher and The Governing Body reserve the right to alter the grouping of year groups and classes if it is considered to be in the best interests of the children and would impact positively on teaching, learning, progress and outcomes for pupils.