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Dear Parents/Carers

Reception and Year 1 Update

I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the staffing situation in our Reception and Year 1 classes. At this time, we are still unsure of the specific return dates for both Miss Thomas and Mrs Shand and we understand that these dates may differ.

As stated previously the merging of the classes was a temporary plan and after half term we will return to separate classes. I am pleased to inform you that we successfully interviewed a supply teacher, Mrs Haslam, who you may have seen teaching Year 1 this week alongside our dedicated team of support staff. We have secured her for the initial week back after the half-term break, during which she will be teaching Year 1 and Miss Barnes teaching Reception. They will work together to ensure that there is a smooth handover for our pupils.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to our team for their collaborative efforts during this unplanned situation, as managing such changes can be quite challenging.

Additionally, I want to extend my thanks to those who reached out on the Friday after my previous letter. Your excellent communication has been invaluable in supporting our children during this time.

We send our best wishes to both Mrs Shand and Miss Thomas as they navigate their current circumstances. I urge all parents to refrain from speculating regarding their respective absences, as it is important that we respect their privacy during this time.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours faithfully

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