

24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

## **Reception and Year 1 Class Changes**

I would like to begin by conveying our heartfelt congratulations to our Early Years leader, Mrs Crossley, who is expecting a new addition to her family. As a result, Mrs Crossley will be going on maternity leave in the first half of the Spring term.

To ensure the highest standard of education for our pupils, we have decided to move Miss Hathaway, from Year 1 to the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). We believe that Miss Hathaway's expertise and familiarity with the curriculum will greatly benefit the children in the EYFS. With the transfer of Miss Hathaway, we will be introducing two new teachers to Year 1. Mrs Dolman, will be joining us as a part-time teacher, working alongside an existing teacher, Mrs Mullen. We are confident that this team will provide a seamless transition for your children and maintain the excellent quality of education they have been receiving. We understand that change can be challenging for children, especially in an academic setting. Rest assured, we have taken every step to select teachers who possess the necessary skills and passion to inspire and nurture your children.

During her remaining weeks, Mrs Crossley will be working closely with Miss Hathaway, ensuring a smooth handover and facilitating the integration of new teachers into their respective roles. Additionally, we will be arranging a series of familiarisation activities for the children to meet their new Year 1 teachers before the start of the next term. We would like to reassure you that there will be no compromise on the quality of education and care provided to your children. Our team of dedicated teachers will continue to create a stimulating and supportive learning environment that promotes growth and development in all areas of the curriculum.

If you have any further queries or concerns regarding these changes or any other academic matters, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. We value your continued partnership in your child's education and appreciate your understanding and support during this transition period.

Thank you for your support, and we look forward to a successful and fulfilling academic year ahead.



Mrs G Grainger Headteacher