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Dear Parents / Carers,

26th January 2024

I hope you are well and that the term has been successful for you and your child since returning after the Christmas break.

Due to family circumstances, Mrs. Down is unable to be in school for the foreseeable future. I know that you will join me in sending our prayers and best wishes to Mrs. Down and she will be comforted by the thought of our school community standing right beside her. At this time, we do not know how long Mrs. Down will be away for, it could be a short absence or something that lasts until the beginning of the next academic year.

With this in mind, I have made the decision to move some class teachers around to ensure that we continue the very best education and stability for your children.

Starting from Monday 29th January 2024, Mr. Ledger will be teaching Year 6 full time with myself covering Mr. Ledger's PPA time, when he is out of class on a Wednesday. Year 4 will now be taught by Mrs. Sellek and Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Smith will teach all day Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday morning and Mrs. Sellek will be in class from Wednesday afternoon and all day Thursday and Friday.

I appreciate that disruption like this, mid-year, will be a concern for some parents however, please rest assured that we are making this decision to ensure that the rest of the academic year is as successful as possible.

If Mrs. Down is in a position to return to school before July, she will cover PPA across a number of classes for the remainder of the academic year.

The children will be told today before the end of the school day, should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Ben Hulme
Executive Headteacher