



10th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Maternity Cover - Narnia and Wonderland Class

As you may be aware, we have two exciting announcements to share with you regarding our staff members. We are delighted to formally inform you that Mrs Pettifer-Saunders and Mrs Farmer-Wright are both expecting babies and will soon be starting their maternity leaves. This is a wonderful occasion for them, and we share in their excitement as they prepare for this new chapter in their lives.

Mrs Pettifer-Saunders, Narnia Class teacher, will be commencing her maternity leave after May half-term. Her anticipated last day, dependent on the baby's arrival, will be Friday 14th June. To ensure continuity in Year 2, Ms Clements, a trusted supply teacher who has previously worked with Year 3, will be covering Mrs Pettifer-Saunders maternity leave until the end of the academic year. We are confident in Ms Clements' ability to deliver excellent teaching during Mrs Pettifer-Saunders' absence and warmly welcome her to our school community.

Similarly, Mrs Farmer-Wright, Whoville Class teacher, will also be beginning her maternity leave following the upcoming May half-term break. Her projected last day, contingent upon the baby's arrival, will be Friday 7th June. During her absence, Miss Roberts, one of the Wonderland Class teachers, will step in to cover Mrs Farmer-Wright's maternity leave until the end of the academic year. Miss Roberts is already familiar with the children and their needs, and we are confident she will excel in her new role. We're excited to have Miss Roberts contribute more to our school community!

To accommodate these changes, Miss Gray will be increasing her hours to teach Wonderland Class across the week. We believe this adjustment will ensure continuity and stability for the children's education during this transition period.

While we've taken every measure to plan for these changes, we recognise that babies have their own timetables! Please understand that the anticipated dates provided may be subject to change.

Change can sometimes be challenging, but please rest assured that we are dedicated to maintaining the high standards of education and care that you expect from our school.

We extend our warmest wishes to Mrs Pettifer-Saunders and Mrs Farmer-Wright and as they embark on this new journey, and we express our gratitude to Miss Roberts, Miss Gray and Ms Clemments for their dedication in ensuring the smooth operations of our classes continues.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Sophie Bugg

Interim Head of Schools