

Dear Parents / Carers, Children, Staff and Governors

### **Staff news**

Some sad and some happy staff news this week. Sadly, Mrs Herrington, one of our fabulous team of Teaching Assistants, is leaving us this week. Mrs Herrington has been a super Teaching Assistant and colleague – caring, patient, smiley and efficient. We will miss working with her – she always knows just what everyone needs to best help them and has supported many children and teachers. Mrs Herrington needs to be able to give more time to caring for her parents, so our loss is very much their gain. We wish her well in every way.

In her place, we welcome Miss Sophie McGovern who is joining our TA team – she will be the Teaching Assistant in Class 5 and we hope she will soon feel part of the school.

The happy news is that Mrs Skelton is expecting a baby in March. Mrs Skelton covers teachers' Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA) on Wednesdays and Thursdays and she is also clerk to our governing body. Our congratulations to all her family as they look forward to their new arrival!

### **Did you miss the 'Meet the Teacher Zoom'?**

If you were not able to make the Zoom meeting in the last two weeks, you can expect an email from your class teacher by Monday indicating how they will deliver the important messages to you. Thank you for your understanding with this. Please keep up lines of communication. Although seeing teachers is trickier at the moment, we all remain available if you book an appointment.

### **Department for Education Update**

The Department for Education have released some updated information for what you as parents need to know about schools during the autumn term. Click on the link below to find out more.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

### **Water bottles**

You have done such a great job supporting us with the return to school. Just a reminder that the children need a water bottle in school every day. Thank you for keeping this up.

Finally, we hope you have a relaxing weekend and we look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for learning on Monday.

Best wishes,

Mrs Carey and Mr Murray