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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to inform you of a staffing update relating to your child's class.

It has been recommended that Mrs Mullan step away from class teaching duties as a supportive measure in the final trimester of her pregnancy. We are very grateful to Oonagh for her continued commitment to the pupils and the wider life of the school, and we will ensure she is well supported in this transition. Oonagh will remain in role as SENCO this term, with myself taking over this responsibility during her maternity leave.

We recently undertook a recruitment process to appoint a new teacher to take over the class. We were very fortunate to receive applications from a number of high-quality candidates, and following a thorough interview process, I am pleased to share that Miss Amy Quigg has been appointed.

Miss Quigg is a highly experienced and enthusiastic teacher, with a strong background in inclusive classroom practice, curriculum leadership, and pupil well-being. She has previously taught in both local and outstanding-rated schools in England and demonstrates a deep understanding of child-centred, values-based education. We are confident that she will be a wonderful addition to our school community. Amy will begin working with the class on Tuesday 6th May, allowing for a smooth handover and consistency for the pupils as we approach the final term and prepare for the next academic year.

Additionally, I wish to inform you that Wednesday 14th May will be the final day in class for Katrina Archibald, who has worked as a General Classroom Assistant three days per week since October. Katrina has supported this cohort since their very first days in P1, and we are extremely grateful for the dedication and care she has shown to the children over the years. We wish her every success in her next chapter.

We are pleased to welcome Miss Orlagh Devine, who will now be working in the class full time for the remainder of this school year. Orlagh has strong experience supporting pupils with additional needs in both mainstream and SEN settings. She is warm, enthusiastic and highly capable, and we are confident she will form positive relationships with the children and contribute to a settled, supportive classroom environment.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to ensure a positive and consistent learning experience for all our pupils.

Kind regards,

Mary Jackson  
Principal