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Dear Parents and Carers,

STAFFING IN YEAR ONE

Thank you for your co-operation during the absence of Mrs Pittarello, who has been away due to circumstances beyond her control. Events do happen in life that we cannot plan for, and I know that she will be pleased to have received the good wishes that have been sent in.

Sadly, Mrs Pittarello will not be returning to Year One. I know that this was a very difficult decision to make. I completely understand why and she has the full support of all the staff here at St John's.

We are very lucky that Miss Williams has been doing a fantastic job overseeing Year One in the meantime. To provide continuity for the children, Mrs McPherson will continue to cover until half term when, hopefully, a permanent replacement for Mrs Pittarello can be recruited.

Thank you for your patience regarding the end of day arrangements too. I am well aware that there is discontent on the playground and on social media (*). I feel disappointed that a minority of parents see the new arrangements as detrimental when, in fact, they were put in place to address your concerns and to keep your children safe. If you feel that your child's safety has been compromised in any way, I am more than willing to discuss this further. (* Offensive posts will be reported.)

I will, of course, continue to keep you informed. Thank you once again for your co-operation, patience and support.

Yours sincerely,



Head Teacher