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Dear Parents

Following Mr Partridge's update on May 9th in which he explained that unfortunately Mrs Waters illness means that she would not be returning to us before half-term, we are writing to update you on our plans for Acorns class beyond the half-term break.

Although we would like to reassure you once again that the number of supply teachers that have had to be used in Mrs. Waters absence is far from ideal, the planning for Acorns class continues to be completed by our experienced SLT, who have also been overseeing that the quality of teaching and learning taking place remains high. That being said, we feel securing stability and continuity for the class for after half term is vital and so we have taken the decision to arrange the appointment of Mrs. Sainsbury to teach every Monday & Tuesday. On a Wednesday - Friday we will welcome Mrs. Rutherford, an experienced teacher who will be meeting with Mrs. Massey-Sturgess on Thursday so that she is fully briefed on the needs and next steps needed for all members of Acorns class from after half term. Mrs. Rutherford will also spend some time with Acorns class on Thursday.

Our amazing teaching assistants, Mrs. Malone and Mrs. Longman will continue to provide their outstanding support and continuity for the children throughout this transition period and we thank them once again for their continued dedication to Acorns class.

We continue to wish Mrs Waters a speedy recovery and whilst we hope to see her back as soon as possible, we felt it necessary to take steps to secure Acorns class in case her absence continues.

Yours Sincerely

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