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To Parents and Carers of pupils in Ash Class,

As you will know, Mrs Caulfield is due to begin her maternity leave soon. Her final day of teaching in Ash Class is planned to be Friday 8th April.

The Senior Leadership Team and I have been working hard behind the scenes to make arrangements for the Summer Term and we are now in a position to inform you of the plans.

Whilst it has not been possible to secure a full-time cover teacher, we are very pleased with the calibre of the two staff that we have been able to recruit. The teaching responsibilities will be shared between Mrs Amy Collett (Monday all day, Tuesday morning) and Mrs Vicky Hodgins (Wednesday morning, Thursday/Friday – all day). Both Mrs Collett and Mrs Hodgins have a wealth of experience across a range of primary school age groups. Mrs Collett is currently teaching a Year 2 class at a local primary school, so has a strong, up-to-date, understanding of the requirements of the curriculum. Mrs Hodgins has recently taught Ash Class on a supply basis, so has already met the children, and was an Assistant Headteacher earlier in her career. We believe that both teachers, with the existing long-term planning in place and support from Mrs Salter, will form an excellent team.

You will have noticed that there are two afternoons remaining in the weekly timetable – on a Tuesday and a Wednesday. These will be taught by staff that Ash Class pupils know well, likely to be a combination of Mrs Salter, Mrs Cresswell and myself, depending on the subjects involved.

We will publish the usual weekly timetable on the school website in due course.

Finally, the plan is for these arrangements to be in place until Friday 1st July, when I am pleased to say that Miss Phillips will return to teach Ash Class for the final two and a half weeks of this academic year, when she returns from her maternity leave. I'm sure this will be very exciting for the pupils!

I have every confidence in these revised arrangements, the teachers involved, the support staff (who have a good knowledge of Ash Class routines), as well as the children's ability to adapt to these changes.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely, Mr. I Horner (Headteacher)



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