



14th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Staffing Update

As we approach the end of term I thought it would be helpful to update you on some of the staffing changes that are about to take place. In January, we will be welcoming Alice Murphy back from maternity leave. She has a huge amount of experience teaching in our Early Years classrooms and will join the Reception class team to teach the class for two days a week, with Natasha Comber teaching the other three days.

Although this is an exciting time for us, it comes alongside a sad farewell. Amelia Davies will be leaving us to return home to New Zealand. The time has come for her to say goodbye to London and move back closer to her family and friends. I know it has not been an easy decision to make. During her time at Springfield, Amelia has seen countless children through that crucial first step of starting school and has ensured a happy start to school life for so many of our families. I am sure you will all join me in thanking her for the huge contribution she has made to our school during her time with us. Amelia will be hugely missed and we wish her every happiness for the future.

Hannah Ponting, our Early Years Leader, will become our Nursery class teacher, alongside Alice Murphy. This term, our Nursery and Reception classes have spent time learning together in the afternoons so this has given Hannah a chance to get to know all the children. Due to the current circumstances, we have also made careful plans, supported by Miss Wendy who knows all our Nursery children really well, to ensure that our nursery children have a smooth transition during the first week of term.

If you have any questions about this news, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

Kindest regards,

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Anna Case
Headteacher