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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 1 pupils,

We had hoped that Mrs. Wilson would have been able to return to school this week but I was informed at the start of the week that this would not be the case. Whilst we wish Mrs. Wilson well and look forward to her return to school, I am writing to explain the ongoing cover arrangements for the Year 1 class.

As we have to date, we will continue to cover Mrs. Wilson's absence with qualified teachers from within the school. We know from experience that this brings stability for the children and ensures the continuity of teaching and learning. These adults are familiar with our school routines, expectations and curriculum. The class teacher cover will continue to be provided by Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Leigh or Mrs. Hanser. The children are already very familiar with these teachers, as they have previously taught the class, and equally parents will also know them well.

The senior leadership team continue to monitor the quality of Year 1 provision. Mrs. Brooks, as Assistant Headteacher and phonics lead, has continued to ensure the quality of the transition and progression from the Early Years through to Year 1. She has been supported by Mrs. Hanser, as Key Stage 1 and curriculum lead.

We are aware that the Year 1 parent meetings remain outstanding and we thank you for your ongoing patience. We wish to reassure parents that we are working to make sure these take place as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Murfin
Headteacher