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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your ongoing support and adaptability during the recent period of change and transition. Since starting at the beginning of term, I have really enjoyed getting to know your children and you as parents, and I am very much looking forward to watching your children progress and grow as individuals during my time at Pebworth.

I am writing to you to update you on the current staffing arrangements for the remainder of this term following some staff absence and further unavoidable instability. Unfortunately, I am sorry to inform you that Mr Delaney, who has been absent for the majority of the term so far, is unlikely to return to Pebworth due to ill health. I am sure you will join with me in wishing him a speedy recovery and to thank him for the exceptionally hard work and dedication he has shown the children in Ruby Class. His enthusiasm and positivity will be missed by all, although we hope he will be able to return for a brief visit when he is well enough to see the children so that he, and everyone at Pebworth, can say goodbye.

From Monday, Ruby Class will be taught every day by Mrs Louise Kibblewhite, an experienced teacher who has previously taught in a mixed age class in a small village school. Mrs Kibblewhite is looking forward to meeting her new class and carrying on the excellent foundations laid by Mr Delaney, as well as looking forward to joining the small but dedicated and enthusiastic team at Pebworth. Although I recognise that this is yet another change for the class, I am confident that Mrs Kibblewhite will provide the consistency that the children in Ruby Class deserve and I know that she will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sapphire Class will continue to be taught daily until half term by Miss Groves who has, like me, enjoyed getting to know your children since she started in the class after Christmas. After the half term holiday in February, Mrs Foster will be returning to her role as class teacher following

her maternity leave and will be sharing the class teacher role with Miss Groves on a job-share basis across the week.

I am very aware that Covid-19 restrictions have limited the methods of communication with school which provide the essential link between home and your child's class teacher. I am very keen to ensure that these are reinstated as soon as possible, but in the meantime would like to reassure you that your first point of contact regarding any concerns you may have should always be your child's class teacher as they are best placed to answer any questions about your child in school. Please feel free to either chat to the class teacher at the end of the day, or to call the school and arrange a meeting or to request a phone call in the first instance. We are currently reviewing ways that this can be improved and will write to you again shortly to explain any further changes.

Once again, thank you for your continued support. I hope you have a restful and enjoyable weekend and look forward to greeting your children on Monday morning,

Best wishes



Mrs K. Shaw  
Acting School Leader

