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Dear Parents.

RE: Class teacher in Owls

As you are aware, since Miss Gibbens' return to Canada, Mrs Thackeray was covering Owls class teaching and was due to remain with us whilst the recruitment process took place. Unfortunately Mrs Thackeray has been struck down with a serious bout of influenza and has not been able to return following the Christmas break. We are doing everything possible to retain continuity for the children and are endeavouring to use the same cover staff as much as possible, however, at short notice, this is not always possible and there will be days where a different supply teacher will be with the class.

I would like to reassure you that during this time, the planning and assessment for the class is being prepared and overseen by myself and Mrs Green to ensure that the year 1 and EYFS curriculum is being taught without interruption. As always the support team in Owls are doing an amazing job keeping that sense of continuity under very difficult and unforeseen circumstances.

With regards the recruitment process, this takes time to ensure that the post is properly advertised for the required number of weeks, and that the shortlisting and interview process are robust. In the three working weeks since Miss Gibbens notified us of her departure, we have been very busy completing this process. We are now hopeful of a positive outcome as we have shortlisted and will be interviewing for the position next week.

If you have any further questions in the interim, please mark them for my attention or talk to your class representative Ms Courtney Brennen who will bring them to my attention.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. Yours sincerely

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