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Dear Parents and Carers

Transition information

I am happy to say that we can now share with you the classes and teachers for next year. In previous years, this involves being told your child's teacher for next year with the opportunity to come into school for a meet and greet. We also arrange a 'shuffle-up' day so the children can experience their new class and teacher before the start of the summer holidays.

As I have communicated previously, endings and beginnings are needing to be different this year. Teachers are creating end of year messages and organizing Zoom parties for their existing class. In addition to this, a thorough handover has taken place between teachers, so they will know lots about your child already when they come back in the Autumn. We are also putting things in place to make sure your child has a smooth start in September.

You will shortly be sent a message through Parentmail, giving you the information about your child's class and teacher. In addition to this, your child's new teacher is preparing a YouTube welcome film and an accompanying letter which will go through some logistics about next year. Families will be able to access the YouTube film through a link which will be sent to you during the last week of term. We hope that this will help to familiarise your child with their key staff members for next year and help to reduce any worries they may have.

September

We have been working hard on our 'COVID recovery plan' that will enable us to re-open for all children in September. This week, the Local Authority shared its support plan for schools to help them re-open in September. Part of this support is allowing schools two additional inset days to help schools with their COVID recovery plans.

I can therefore confirm that the **school will be closed** for inset on **Tuesday 1st September**.

School will start, for all children, on Wednesday 2nd September.

There will be some additional arrangements for families to follow in terms of arriving and picking up from school. These include staggered timings and specific entrances to use. These measures do not significantly impact the length of the school day but it will be important that every family follows them carefully so as to reduce the risk of having to close the school following an outbreak of coronavirus.

I will share details of these arrangements in a separate letter and make sure that they are available on the school website. I will also share with you all the inset dates for the year and some additional information about our wrap-around provision in September.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'T Browse'.

Tim Browse