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Dear Parent/Carer,

Foundation Stage – Nursery Staffing Update

Just over a month ago we wrote to you to share with you the news that Mrs Mary Gascoyne would be joining our Foundation Stage to lead learning and play for children in the Nursery alongside Mrs Penn. Following a period of uncertainty due to personal circumstances, you will be as disappointed as we are that sadly Mrs Gascoyne will not be joining us as we had hoped.

This is a real shame given her previous experience with us at Haytor View - we know that the situation is one that neither we or Mrs Gascoyne could have expected and can only apologise for any discomfort that this 'false start' may bring. We would wish to reassure you that in spite of this unexpected setback we are actively seeking a teacher of the right calibre to supplement our Foundation Stage team. In the meantime be assured that Miss Butler will continue to maintain a strong overview and connection with the provision as Foundation Stage Leader as we move forward together.

While writing concerning Foundation Stage staffing it seems appropriate to share with you that Mrs Lewis, who was a new member of the Foundation Stage team in September will be leaving us at Easter. Having made the decision to take up a role outside of education that better suits her own circumstances we wish Mrs Lewis all the best as we say farewell. We know that we will continue to see her given her connection with the school through her two sons.

Once again be assured that plans are being put in place to secure consistent and high quality provision that will be overseen by the longstanding members of the Foundation Stage Team – Miss Butler, Mrs Penn, Mrs Breakwell, Miss Lofthouse, along with Miss Butterworth who is currently supporting provision too. We will of course keep you updated as we progress with securing arrangements for our Foundation Stage staffing,

We hope to be providing you with more news very soon. In the meantime should you require any clarification around arrangements across the Foundation Stage setting please feel free to talk to Miss Butler or Mrs Penn.

Yours sincerely,

Scott Hampton
Acting Headteacher

Sarah Butler
Foundation Stage Leader