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Dear Parents/ Carers

Firstly please can I extend a heartfelt thank you to all parents who attended parents evening this week. It is a hugely important opportunity for you to catch-up on how your children are doing in school and to chat through any ways in which we can support you and your children to achieve the best that they can. If you were unable to come but would like to speak with the class teacher then please make a mutually convenient time with them. Mr Maddams appointments will be arranged after half term.

On the subject of Mr Maddams, I am delighted to announce that he and his wife had a beautiful baby boy on 28 January named Jacob Jack.

With regards to staffing, I regret to say that Kerry Sarson (EYFS) will be leaving us on Friday 26 February to take up new challenges with the NHS, she will be hugely missed by all.

On a happier note, we have recently employed two new members of staff to our learning support team, Mrs Pallatt and Mrs Cragg and two new lunchtime supervisors Mrs Austin and Miss Highland. Finally in staffing news, Mr Steve Cope, our new premises officer, has settled into school really well, I am sure you will see him around the buildings in the morning and evenings making sure the site is safe and clean for everyone.

Could I issue a reminder on behalf of the teachers and sports coaches, that all pupils will continue to have outdoor PE on a regular basis and that it is essential that they have a warm outdoor kit to wear. Gloves and hats are also permissible during the winter months.

Secondly, now that we are half way through the year, we would like to encourage the children in year 1 and 2 to be more independent in the mornings and be dropped off by parents/ carers at the KS1 door rather than in the classroom. Of course, on stay and read mornings this will not apply and if you need to speak to the class teacher then you can always come in and do so as usual.

Half term is next week so let's hope for some good weather. School reopens on Monday 22 February.

Yours sincerely

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