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Dear parents/carers

Miss Verity is currently absent from school due to illness. We have been hoping that she may have been in a position to be able to return to school early in the Spring term, however it is clear that she is not yet well enough to be back in school. In Miss Verity's absence we have wanted to ensure a consistent and skilled teacher has been able to lead the learning in Class 2a, initially this was Mr Widdas working with Mrs Gray (who has been the consistent teaching assistant in 2a) followed in recent weeks by Ms Purchin. Unfortunately, Mrs Gray has been unwell with COVID recently and has been absent, we are expecting her back in class next week.

We appreciate that the absence of Miss Verity and a change in adults working in Class 2a may be unsettling for children and for yourselves as parents/carers. Miss Bates, who is our key stage 1 leader and Mrs Wharrick (teaching in Class 2b) have been working hard to ensure that all children in Year 2 are settled and receiving a high-quality education.

Due to the current circumstances of COVID and high numbers of self-isolation, staff absence of both our own staff and supply staff is high, this is a common picture across schools in Leeds. It continues to prove to be a challenge to ensure we have the highest quality teachers and teaching assistants in school so that we can keep classes open rather than having to close classes and move to online learning (which we are aware some schools have had to make the difficult decision to do).

We will continue to ensure your child receives a quality education, support and care. We will also keep you updated with any changes in staffing. If you have any concerns about any of the information shared in this letter, or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's education, we would always welcome you to share these with us so that we can discuss and take any action needed.

Thank you for your patience and understanding in these challenging times.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Crawford & Miss H Darley
Co-Headteachers

Miss S Bates
KS1 leader

The designated Child Protection Officers of the school are Mrs K Kassabian, Miss H Darley, Mr S Crawford, Miss S Harker, Miss H Simpson, Miss L Bolger and Mrs F Sorbie

