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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very much looking forward to the return of all children on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. With this date approaching, we have been considering the plan for Centipedes moving forward with Miss Allan's pregnancy in mind.

Due to Miss Allan's situation, she will not be able to return to the classroom physically however she is very much keen to lead the teaching of Centipedes until her official Maternity Leave date later in the summer term. We also feel this is extremely important for the continuity for the children and for them to be led by a familiar face on their return. We feel Miss Allan is the key person to do this as she also knows the children's strengths and areas for development as well as any specific needs of individual children. Therefore, we are pleased to say that Miss Allan will be using TEAMS to conduct live lessons with the class daily. She will plan and deliver each session, with the children being able to see her on the Interactive Whiteboard. As she can see them also, she will be able to involve the children, ask questions and direct the activities to happen within the class.

We will be placing three adults within the class physically - Mr Weaver, a qualified teacher, Miss Stephenson, an experienced HLTA who is also embarking upon her teaching qualification and is highly competent in delivering content to Year 1 children as well Mrs Bennett an experienced TA who has worked in Centipedes this year and knows the children well. These adults will be there to greet the children, coordinate the live link ups and to facilitate the general running of the class in-between lessons. For all times when lessons are not being delivered, Miss Allan will remain contactable so that she can speak to individual children or groups to continue to be involved in supporting pastoral needs also.

If you require assistance or need to communicate any information on arrival or dismissal, please speak to the in class staff and they will pass on anything to Miss Allan. You can of course contact Miss Allan directly via Seesaw as normal. Miss Reece, our EY and Key Stage 1 lead, will also be overseeing this provision and in school daily for you to speak to.

We are so pleased that the technology we have been using and our experience in running live lessons enables the class to retain their teacher for key parts of the school day and for the children to benefit from her teaching. The experience of the additional adults within the classroom will also enable their learning to be supported.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing all of Centipedes together again on Monday!

Kind Regards

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Head Of School