



5th May 2020

Dear Parents

I hope you are all well, safe and happy.

It is a difficult time for all of us but the messages we have had on Bloomz, by email and for twitter are keeping all the staff going. Thank you! We have read all your comments on the PTA facebook page as well and we really appreciate them. We miss having your lovely children in school so much.

I wanted to update you about a few things that will be happening with the staff. Even though we are not open at the moment (except for children of key workers) we still feel it is important to keep you updated.

The first thing to tell you is that Ms Martindale will be leaving us at the end of this half term. She had announced this to staff before we went into lockdown but we wanted to wait a little while before telling parents and children. Liz will be a huge loss to Park Grove but we fully support her in her wish to pursue other things. She has a wealth of experience and skills that we have been so lucky to benefit from and we will miss her so much! Liz has offered her support should we need it even after her official leaving date and I have no doubt that we will be taking her up on it. Mrs Hearson has already started the handover for her role as SENDCO and she will continue to work with the rest of the Pupil Support Team to ensure we get the best for all our pupils. Good luck Ms Martindale and thank you for all you have done for Park Grove.

I also wanted to let you know the fantastic news that Mrs Appleton is expecting a baby. She will start her maternity leave at the end of this term so we do hope that we will all be back in school so that the children can see her before she goes. It's so unfortunate for Clare that she hasn't been able to see the children and have the big build up that news like this deserves. However, she is keeping safe and looking after that precious little bump ready for an exciting summer birth. We will keep you posted.

We will soon be announcing the staffing for next year so that you can see exactly which teacher will teach each class. At present, we are still going through the recruitment process but we will let you know.

As and when we know any information that will concern you and your children, we will of course keep you informed.

Please keep safe and we hope to see you all soon.

Best wishes

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