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Dear Parents and Carers

Announcement of staff changes at Larkspur Community Primary School

I hope this letter finds you well and that you enjoyed a lovely Christmas. As we embark on a new year, I would like to take this opportunity to share some exciting updates and developments within our school community.

Firstly, I am delighted to welcome Mr Gray as our new acting deputy headteacher. Mr Gray comes to us with a wealth of experience and enthusiasm. In addition to his responsibilities as the deputy head and Year 6 class teacher, he will also be taking over as the special educational needs coordinator (SENDCO) after half term. Please check out our Facebook page to read a hello from him.

This half term we are also saying goodbye to two staff members. Mrs Anderson who has worked at Larkspur for 20 years will be leaving us to embark on a new adventure continuing her work with SEND children in Newcastle. We are grateful for her dedicated service to our school and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. And also, Miss Ward from Maple Class, who is moving on to continue her work with children with Special Educational Needs children. We are grateful for her contribution to our school and wish her success in her new role.

I would also like to inform you of some changes to our teaching staff. Miss Dodds will be our new Nursery morning teacher after half term, supported ably by Mrs Reed, Mrs Graham, and Mrs Cleverly, she is very excited to join the Early Years team and work with our lovely Nursery children. She already knows them well having worked across early years since September. Miss Mills will be teaching Year 3 in the morning and again she knows these children well having taught them previously. She will return to Early Years in the afternoon.

I also sadly need to share that our lovely Site Manager Mr Curry had a heart attack on Christmas day. He is taking some time off to recover and whilst we are missing him, want him to rest up and get well soon.

We acknowledge that while there are many changes afoot, these are exciting times for our school community, and we are committed to ensuring that your children receive the highest standard of education possible. Thank you for your continued support and trust in us as we navigate these changes together.

Wishing you all a fantastic start to the New Year!

Warm regards,

Mrs K Anglesea
Head Teacher