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Friday 26th February 2021

Dear Year 6 Children and Families

I hope you are all well and really looking forward to coming back to school on Monday 8th March. We are all very excited about welcoming you back for your final days at Thurlestone.

At the beginning of this lockdown, we shared with you the very exciting news that Miss Rowe-Jones is pregnant! Many of you have caught glimpses of how her bump is growing nicely during your daily hangouts. In order to keep Miss Rowe-Jones and her baby safe over the coming weeks, she is not able to return to school before the baby arrives.

I understand that the children will be sad not to see Miss Rowe-Jones in person when they return to school on Monday 8th March, but we are pleased to share with you all that they will be joined by Mr Chadwick.

Some of the children may remember Mr Chadwick as he was teaching Miss Kingston's class on a Thursday and Friday before Christmas. He is delighted to be joining the Thurlestone family on a full-time basis for the remainder of the year and is excited about joining us on Monday 8th March. He really enjoyed his time with us in the Autumn term and is thrilled, in his words, to be "coming home" to join the team and work with the Year 6s.

Although Miss Rowe-Jones won't be with us in person, she will continue to work from home in the coming weeks before the baby arrives. She will continue to check-in virtually and will also be leading some intervention work with the children, so they will still get to see her and work with her over the coming weeks.

To ensure there is a really smooth transition for the children, Miss Rowe-Jones will be working alongside Mr Chadwick over the next few weeks, helping him to become familiar with the routines and organisation of a busy Year 6 classroom. We are also hoping that Mr Chadwick will be able to meet the children virtually at some point next week.

Whilst I understand that this is not the ideal situation for the children, we are pleased that Mr Chadwick is able to join us and that Miss Rowe-Jones will be continuing her work with Bantham as part of a well-planned and supportive handover period. I am confident that the children will have a happy and memorable ending to their time at Thurlestone.

Best Wishes

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