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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Welcome Back, Staffing News and Information Updates

Happy New Year to all our wonderful Warboys families. I hope you've had a lovely break and feel ready for the New Year. It has been nice to welcome all the children back to school today and hear all their news. They have returned bubbling with enthusiasm and we are really looking forward to seeing them continue to blossom in 2023.

Attendance was quite low in the Autumn Term with the various bugs and viruses that were around and we have some significant concerns about the impact of this on children's learning and development. We know that every minute children are in school counts, so if they are persistently late or absent they are significantly disadvantaged, compared with their peers. We will be working hard to improve attendance as we move forward into the New Year and welcome your support with this. If you are experiencing difficulties getting your child to school, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with us and we will ensure you receive appropriate support.

In happier news, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Silva is expecting her first baby in May 2023. This is very exciting for Mrs Silva, who has also informed us that she is having a little girl who she plans to call Maya. Mrs Silva will of course, remain teaching in Tigers Class until her maternity leave commences and we will be working hard to recruit a teacher who can continue Mrs Silva's excellent work with Tigers class until her return next year. We will keep you updated on the recruitment process and our plans for Tigers class in due course.

As you are already aware, Miss McGuire will be leaving us at February half-term and we are currently in the process of recruiting to fill this post. We hope to be able to update you soon and will be seeking to ensure a smooth transition to the new teacher for Pumas class. We have a new Midday Supervisor and Teaching Assistant joining us this term, Mrs Rachel Thorlby. Mrs Thorlby brings a wealth of experience as a highly qualified Teaching Assistant and we look forward to welcoming her to the team.

It has been brought to my attention that one of our Warboys families will be taking part in a television programme and filming for this is taking place on Friday 6th January. I would like to reassure you that school staff have been informed and whilst the family may be filmed doing part of their school run on Friday, the TV crew DO NOT have permission to film any Warboys children or the school. The family are working closely with us to ensure that our safeguarding responsibilities are not compromised, but if you become aware of any concerns please do not hesitate to inform one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

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We are looking forward to welcoming you into school next week for our Curriculum Drop-in sessions. This is an opportunity for you to hear about what the children will be learning during the Spring Term and speak to the teachers. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend as the information will also be sent out to all parents next week.

The New Year is full of promise and I am looking forward to the new opportunities it will bring for us all. As always, my door is open so please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything you would like to discuss.

Yours faithfully



Becky Ford
Headteacher