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Dear Reception Families,

Welcome back to a new year and a new term. We are writing to inform you of a short-term change to staffing arrangements in Reception.

As many of you may be aware, Mrs Ridley is currently completing a professional qualification which requires her to spend a short period working in another setting. Therefore, she will not be at Istead Rise for the next five weeks.

During this period, Miss Kite will continue to teach the class, supported by Mrs Davies.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Ridley back soon, but in the meantime Miss Kite and Mrs Davies will continue to be your points of contact if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs M Clark  
Head of School