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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing with the exciting news that both Mrs Goddard and Mrs Whitworth are both expecting babies. Mrs Goddard will commence maternity leave in January 2026 and Mrs Whitworth after February half term.

We have successfully recruited a teacher, Miss Westgarth, to work in 3GW from January 2026. In order for a smooth transition, we will welcome Miss Westgarth for a couple of visits before the Christmas break. She will also work alongside Mrs Whitworth until she commences her maternity leave in February 2026. This way she will get to know the class well and the children will get to know her better.

We thank you for your support with this matter.

If you have any questions, then please ask a member of staff.

Your Sincerely,

Mrs Kirsty Hutchinson
Headteacher