

Leppington, Birch Hill, Bracknell, RG12 7WW Headteacher: Michael Dillon B Ed (Hons) MA

Friday, 26 May 2023

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I wanted to thank you for your support and understanding while Mrs Russell continues to be off. I am seeing her next week and will pass on your and the children's best wishes and thoughts.

She is hoping to start a phased return after the half term, but this is likely to be a slow return with limited teaching. She is keen to see the children and maybe do some reading, or small group work.

I fully appreciate that you have not had a Parents Evening or any feedback on your children's progress since the autumn term. We had hoped that Mrs. Segal would be able to provide/write/ do some Spring Reports, but this was not possible. As you know she has now left us, and Miss Bayes is taking the class.

Several parents had raised some concerns that their children were not comfortable with the teaching and some of the strategies she used. Children feeling safe is paramount, and only when this is secure will children feel happy to learn. Please be assured this is my priority – please bear with me, as it is currently incredibly difficult to find high-quality teaching staff.

Mrs Russell will help prepare the children's End of Year Reports and review their assessments. It is likely this will be done on a 1:1 basis, when she starts to return.

Yours sincerely,

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Michael Dillon Headteacher