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Head Teacher – Mrs Suzie Norton

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Dear Ladybirds and Year 1 Parents and Carers

I am writing with news regarding Mrs Trapani, our Year 1 teacher. Very sadly, she has made the decision to leave her teaching position at William MacGregor at the end of this term and take a break from teaching. This is not a decision she has taken lightly and has a very heavy heart following her decision as she loves teaching at William MacGregor, but her very young family must be her priority at this time.

We will miss Mrs Trapani a great deal and I'd like to personally thank her for all her hard work and the dedication she has shown to our school and children. We wish her the very best whilst she takes this temporary break and all the best for her future. I am sure we will still see her as she has promised to visit school often.

Maintaining the children's happiness and academic progress is our highest priority and we have discussed at length as a leadership team, with our ATLP leaders and with our local governing board the best options for our children. We have narrowed it down to two and I wanted to share these with you at the earliest opportunity.

Option 1 – to try and recruit a new teacher for Year 1. With the timing being so close to the end of term, this is very challenging, but we will try. Interviews will take place on the 20th December.

Option 2 – Mrs McNerlin will move from Ladybirds to teach Yr1. She taught these children last year and so knows them very well. Mrs Lisseter will teach the Ladybirds children. Mrs Lisseter is a very experienced teacher and her specialism is Early Years. She has worked at William MacGregor for over 18 years; she currently works 2 days a week. She knows Mrs Hobbs and Miss Sutton well and will spend as much time as possible between now and the end of term in Ladybirds getting to know the children.

I will write to you again following our interview process on the 20th.

If you would like to discuss this further with me, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Suzie Norton

