

# King Edwin Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers of Mrs Handley's Class,

I am writing to share some really happy news with you. As I am sure you will already be aware, **Mrs Handley will be starting her maternity leave at May half term**, and we are absolutely delighted for her as she prepares to welcome her new arrival. I am sure you will join us in wishing her every happiness as she begins this exciting new chapter.

Behind the scenes, we have been working carefully to ensure a smooth and positive transition for the children for the remainder of the Summer Term. I am very pleased to share that we have secured a **strong, familiar and experienced staffing arrangement** that will ensure continuity and high-quality provision throughout this period.

For the **first four weeks of the final half term**, the children will be taught by **Mrs Fletcher and Miss Shead**, who will be working closely together to support learning and wellbeing. Both are highly experienced, well-known to the children, and deeply familiar with the KEPS way of working. We are extremely grateful to them for their flexibility and willingness to adapt their working patterns to support the school in this way.

From the final part of the term, **Mrs Smy will be joining the team**, returning from her maternity leave after welcoming her second child last year. We are thrilled to have her back, and her experience and familiarity with the school will be a real added bonus — the icing on the cake as we head towards the end of the academic year.

We are confident that this team approach will provide the children with **continuity, stability and a continuation of the excellent provision** they are used to, while also bringing fresh energy and expertise as the term progresses.

Once again, we would like to congratulate Mrs Handley and send her our very best wishes as she begins her maternity leave. We look forward to welcoming her back in the future and will, of course, keep you informed of any further updates along the way.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

**Andy Callaghan-Wetton** - Headteacher



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