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Interim Executive Head Teacher: Mr. Bill Lord

Monday 15th January 2018

Dear parent / carer

Further to the letter dated Friday 5th January, I have final information on plans on what is happening in Class 4.

In the last letter, I told you that we had appointed a supply teacher to join us on a long term basis. Mr Hanslip was not able to join us due to ill health last week and I received a call late on Friday to say that his situation was not likely to improve immediately.

I have made the decision to ask Mr Chapman, our Outdoor Education and internal supply teacher, to continue in Class 4 until Miss Jacobs' return. Mr Chapman has taught Year 6 before and we are making sure that he receives the same support that we had put in place for Mr Hanslip. This includes support from literacy and mathematics consultants over the coming weeks as well as working with the Upper Key Stage Two team at Long Sutton County Primary School.

I know there are concerns in the community about several issues all of which we have plans in place to address:

- **Parents Evenings** I am aware that, with Miss Jacobs' absence, the November parents evening had to be postponed in the hope that she was returning soon. Mr Chapman and Mr Bland (Year 5/6 teacher at Gedney Church End) have planned out assessments for us to judge where they are against national expectations and gaps in the children's knowledge. Mr Chapman will then work with our team to ensure that all plans are in place. Once this complete, he will hold parents evenings. Class 4 will have two parents evenings this term and an end of year report in the summer.
- **SATs and preparation for Secondary school** – Mr Chapman will be working closely with Mr Bland (Senior teacher at Gedney Church End), Mr Whitehead (UKS2 leader at Long Sutton Primary) and will be receiving support from

consultants to ensure that the curriculum is targeted at ensuring that pupils make the progress we expect of them

- **11+** Mr Chapman has been running an 11+ club this term and this will continue for the rest of the year.

I would like to thank you for your support in this difficult matter. I am aware that there are concerns and would like to stress that this has taken up a significant amount of my time to ensure that we have the best possible solution. There is a national recruitment crisis in primary education at present and so we have been very lucky to be able to have continuity in the class rather than a mix of different teachers since November. I am putting in a large amount of support for staff from specialists with whom I have worked many times and am confident that they will ensure that the children continue to do well.

We will get parents evening slots out to you as a matter of urgency and, in the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate in making an appointment to see me or email me on bill.lord@lutton.lincs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Lord". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B' and a long, sweeping underline.

Bill Lord
Interim Head Teacher