Lanchester E.P. (Cont.) Primary School

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Friday 16th April 2021

Dear Parents of Year 2 and Year 5,

As you know, we are delighted to have finally appointed an Assistant Head Teacher, Mr Innes, who takes up his post on 1st May. This role has been on hold for over a year now due to COVID – we were due to interview last March but had to postpone due to the lockdown.

We are very fortunate in having two part-time teachers, Mrs Coyle and Mrs Sant, who were both willing to work full-time until the Assistant Head appointment was made. As a result, from 4th May 2021, both Mrs Coyle and Mrs Sant will be reverting to their permanent part-time hours.

Mr Innes will be taking over the teaching of Mrs Sant's Year 2 class from Tuesday 4th May. He is coming to school on Tuesday 20th April when he will meet the class and teach them for some of the afternoon before meeting with Mrs Sant so she can talk about all the children individually and discuss their strengths and areas for further development. There will also be an opportunity for parents to meet Mr Innes once he takes up his post as we will arrange a Zoom meeting for you all to meet him virtually.

Mrs Sant and Mrs Coyle will then both work with Mrs Coyle's Year 5 class, as they have done previously so this should be a seamless transition for the children. Mrs Coyle will teach the children in a morning for Maths and English and Mrs Sant will teach them in the afternoons. This is a similar arrangement to last year so I am sure this will, once again, work very well.

I would like to thank both Mrs Coyle and Mrs Sant for working full-time to cover the staffing throughout this period of uncertainty. Initially, this was just for a term, but due to the circumstances of the last year, this has been extended each term for the last year. We fully appreciate and are grateful for their flexibility and commitment which has allowed our children greater stability.

If you have any questions at all about this arrangement, please just get in touch with me.

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