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Dear Parents Carers,

Please forgive the delay in getting back to you about the year 1 teacher for after Easter. There have been a number of teachers who I have met and spoken to but it has been tricky to find the right person for our school and most importantly for our children. This is Miss Rhodes who will be teaching Year 1 for summer term. She has



lots of experience with teaching in primary school and is very approachable so please make sure to say hello and introduce yourself to her, so she gets to know very quickly which child you belong to. Mrs Littler will also continue to work with year 1 next term as she has this term, therefore she will be a very familiar face for any children who might be nervous about meeting a new teacher. I have included this picture of Miss Rhodes so you know who she is and we will make a little social story for all of the Year 1 children to take home today with her picture on, explaining things that will be the

same. This is so that any children who are a bit nervous can be shown this and read the little text everyday before they return after Easter. We call this a social story which some children may be familiar with already. It works really well to alleviate any anxieties or nervous feelings when something will be different. We often use them with children when there is about to be a change we can prepare them for.

Yours Sincerely

SJ Whiteside

Mrs SJ Whiteside