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Dear Parents / Carers

Everyone is very excited about 'Stay and Play' this week and the children cannot wait to show you the classroom and what we are learning in Reception.

Over the Summer, I have made some exciting new adjustments to the EYFS classroom layout and I am writing to explain these changes that you will see when you visit this week. This academic year we have lower numbers in each class so we have decided to work as a setting rather than two classes. This means the children will be able to access both classrooms during the day as well as the Outside Area. This gives them ample space and opportunity to engage in high-level play in the different areas where all the practitioners will be on hand to model and scaffold the learning. Due to the extra space, I have been able to develop each area; concentrating on the resources and the learning that can take place. There will be more information available at a later date to explain the individual areas.

Throughout the day, the children learn in lots of different groupings- altogether, two classes, small groups or one to one. This allows us to tailor the learning to your child's needs and next steps. At the end of each day, all members of the EYFS team meet to discuss the learning that has taken place to inform our planning for the next day. Although all practitioners work with every child at some point during the day, myself and Mr Panea are still the class teacher and we take overall responsibility for our class's learning, thus being your specific point of contact.

The EYFS Team:

Miss Hooker - EYFS Team Leader/Bumblebees' Class Teacher

Mr Panea- Ladybirds' Class Teacher

Mrs Neilson - Teaching Assistant

Miss Smith - Teaching Assistant

Mrs Suciú - Teaching Assistant

Miss Brown - Teaching Assistant (Part-Time) - Works Wednesdays and Fridays

Miss James - Level 3 practitioner - work experience - Tuesdays and Thursdays

Mrs Fox - Headteacher - Covers PPA - normally Friday Mornings

We are excited about the developments we have made as it allows us to cater for the individual needs of the children, using the strengths and expertise of each member of the team to facilitate this.

If you have any queries or questions please do not hesitate to come and find me over the next few days or email the school office and I will get back to you.

Many thanks

Miss Hooker EYFS Team Leader