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Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope your child has settled into their new class well and is enjoying the start of the new term. As you will have already noticed we have made some staffing changes this year, and we are also altering our provision to better support all pupils. I thought I would take the opportunity to let you know exactly how we are doing this and what this will look like for your child.

#### Phonic Groups

As last year, we will implement phonic groups each morning Monday-Thursday. This will mean children requiring phonics input will have phonics sessions four times a week. Phonics provision was highlighted as a strength by the Local Authority in recent Supportive Reviews and this will continue to improve our targeted support even further.

#### Other Interventions

There are also other Intervention groups planned throughout the week for those children not working at age related expectations. These are based on phonics, reading, speaking and listening skills or mathematics as we know how important these are in raising attainment and self-esteem. This will mean that your child may be taken out of lessons for part of the day for small group work, or may have some lessons in a different classroom.

This will mean that your child receives more personalised, targeted support.

You will receive a letter shortly to let you know which groups, if any, your child will attend. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or make an appointment to discuss this with me at the school office.

Yours sincerely

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