

Friday 17 December 2021

Dear Ladybird Class parents

As you are aware that Vaishali Dave, Ladybird Class teacher, is leaving today and Helen Kritsides and Olivia Penfold will be teaching the class from January.

I appreciate it's unsettling to hear that there is a change of teacher, but I want to assure you that I have thought carefully about who would replace Vaishali and feel that Helen and Olivia will make a very strong team. I know they will form great relationships quickly with all the children and ensure that the children continue to make progress to fulfil their potential

Both Helen and Olivia are experienced teachers who already work in our school and have both taught year 1 previously. They have already spent time in Ladybird class and have met with Vaishali to ensure a smooth transition. Helen and Olivia will also be meeting weekly to handover and discuss the planning of the class. They will both be doing the learning conversations together on Thursday 10 February.

As some of you may know, Ricki Nsumbu will no longer be working in Ladybird Class. Soulla Bush, who is already working in the year group will be working in Ladybird class. Diane Coleman will also be working with children across the year group. The children know both Soulla and Diane as they already work in year 1.

I hope that has reassured you, if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Hope you all a merry christmas and a very happy new year.

Best wishes

Tijen Hassan
Headteacher