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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have all settled well into school this half term. They are engaged in their classrooms and have been doing some amazing learning. Make sure you have a look on the X pages, formally known as Twitter, school website and our Facebook page to see some of the interesting photographs. Over the summer we have been working on our new school website and we will be sharing more information on this and new app next week.

The infant children have their new monster phonics books. We hope you are enjoying them. Monster Phonics have just released a spelling programme for Key Stage 2 children called Superheroes Spelling. <https://monsterphonics.com/> Over the next few weeks, the junior staff will be introducing the scheme with the aim to raise standards in spelling. Our Come Learn with me Sessions, Week Beginning 16th October, will be based around basic skills.

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed three further teaching assistants to join our team. They offer a wealth of experience between them. Mr Prescott starts with us on Monday 2nd October. He will be joining the Year 3 team with Mrs Prytherch and Mrs Rowlands-Pidd. He will also be working at lunchtimes and in our after-school club.

Mrs Whittaker and Mrs Smith will be joining us on 30th October for our staff training day. They will allow us to meet the needs of all our children. They have specialist training and experience to work with a range of children in school. I am sure you will give them a warm welcome and we look forward to working them soon.

Next week, I am having a small operation so I will not be in school for the next two weeks. I will leave the leadership of the school in Mrs Swift's capable hands with Mrs Beevers and Mrs Newsome supporting her as the Senior Leadership Team. Please bear in mind that Mrs Swift has a teaching commitment so she may need to get back to you if you need to speak to her. Miss Doubtfire, supply teacher, will be in Year Six on some afternoons to allow Mrs Swift to attend meetings and complete leadership tasks in my absence.

It has been rather a wet week, but we have managed to get the children outside playing most days. I hope the weather gets a little better over the weekend.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Smith'.

Miss Smith
Headteacher