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Dear Parents and Carers,

Can I start this letter by thanking all the parents who have attended this term's "Stay and Learn" sessions. I know it is not always easy to get time off work to attend but I know how much the children love having their adults in class with them. We still have our Yr3 and Yr6 sessions taking place this week. It is always great to see so many parents inside of school and I enjoy having the chance to read and share the lovely feedback – so thank you very much.

Talking about nice feedback, I was delighted to receive an email at the end of last week from Mr Farrington. Mr Farrington is a sport coach and he worked with us all last week as part of "Sports Week." In his email, he stated that:

"Every single pupil I worked with was a real credit to the school – polite, enthusiastic, and fully engaged. They really brought such positive energy to every session, and it made my role an absolute pleasure. The staff were equally fantastic – so welcoming, supportive, and clearly passionate about the children and the school. I genuinely think this has been the best week I've had in coaching for a long time."

I am always proud of all our children and staff and it is especially pleasing when visitors to our school get to see how great they are too!

I would also like to thank two of our parents, Mr Mills and Mr Bailiff. During "Sports Week", they came into school as part of their Elton Football Club role and delivered football sessions to our classes. I know the children loved these sessions. The team trains on our school field during the week and if your child is interested in football then they are definitely worth having a chat with!

"Sports Week" culminated with our Sports Day on Friday and fortunately we avoided any downpours or extreme heat warnings! It was once again very pleasing to see so many parents, carers and grandparents turn up to support all of the children.

A special thank you from me goes to Miss Preugschat. Miss Preugschat is in charge of PE in school and it was her idea to have a sports week of unusual sporting activities. She planned and organised all the events – including the main Sports Day. This was all especially impressive given that the weekend before "Sports Week" she was busy getting married. Miss Preugschat will now be known as Mrs Lodge.

Mrs Lodge wasn't the only staff member who tied the knot this term! Miss Pendlebury – or Mrs Astall as she is now known – also got married at the start of this term.



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On Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th July, almost all of our Year 6 class will be taking part in transition days to Helsby High School. To coincide with this we will be using both days as “meet your new teacher” mornings for our other year groups. Therefore, I thought I best share which adults the children will be having next year!

We will have two of our staff members on maternity leave for most of the school year. Miss Duncan will be starting her maternity in the last week of this academic year & Mrs Higginson will continue her maternity leave following the recent arrival of baby Cooper.

Miss Powderhill will join our staff from September until Easter to work 3 days a week in Year 1. Miss Powderhill has completed two successful teaching placements in our school this year and knows the school and the children well already, we are delighted to welcome her onto our staff team.

Year Group	Teacher	Support Adults
Nursery + Preschool	Miss Halligan	Mrs Astall Mrs Greenslade
Reception	Mrs McCarroll	Mrs Jones
Year 1	Miss Powderhill (Monday, Tuesday + Friday)	Mrs Robinson, Miss Price + Mrs Carter
	Miss Curry (Wednesday + Thursday)	
Year 2	Miss Roberts	Miss Wellings
Year 3	Miss Curry (Monday + Tuesday)	Mrs Hodgson
	Mrs Harland (Wednesday, Thursday + Friday)	
Year 4	Mrs Lodge	Mrs Wilson
Year 5	Mrs Harland (Monday)	Miss Russell + Mrs Gibson
	Mrs McDonnell (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)	
Year 6	Mr Grierson	Mrs West

The children will also be taught for one afternoon a week by other staff including Mr Wynne (our sports coach) and one of our 3 HLTAs: Mrs Hodgson, Mrs Deakin and Mrs Robinson. Class pages on our website will be updated to include these details at the start of next year.

Other dates to keep in mind are Friday 11th July when reports will go out to parents. These reports will include any scores from national tests such as the EYFS scores, Phonics Screening Check (Yr1), Multiplication Tables Check (Yr4) and SATS (Yr6).

The children will finish for summer at the normal time of 3:15 on Tuesday 22nd July.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher



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