

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am aware that there have been a number of staffing issues in RB. This is not the start to the children's time in Reception that we would have wanted and we are working to stabilize this, to provide the highest quality education and consistent approach, for the benefit of the children.

In Ms Bhullar's absence, Ms Thomas, an experienced teacher, who has been at Stockwell for a number of years, will take the class whenever possible. Ms Thomas knows the school and its expectations well. Over the last two weeks, she has stepped in in Ms Bhullar's absence, so she is forming relationships with the children. Ms Thomas works part time, so should Ms Bhullar be absent on a Wednesday, Mr Serra, the EYFS lead, will take the class. Mr Serra will also be present in the class in the mornings, settling the class and making himself available to answer queries from parents.

We have also employed Ms Burke, who is taking on Mrs Lutumba's role in her absence. Ms Burke has been with the class for the last two weeks and is getting to know the children well. Miss Yadjia, who worked with those children who went to Stockwell's Nursery, remains with them in Reception. She is a familiar face and has formed strong bonds with many of the children.

We are working to provide a long term, sustainable solution to the ongoing absences in the class. We appreciate that the absences have been disruptive and are seeking to provide consistency for the children.

In the interim, please bear with us while we ensure that messages are communicated to the team and that information is cascaded accurately.

If you have a concern, please speak to a member of the office team, to Mr Serra, the EYFS lead. If your concern is regarding additional needs, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Fraga or Mrs Congdon. If you are dissatisfied after speaking to these adults, please make an appointment to see me.

I will be in touch with a more permanent solution as soon as I am able.

Thank you for your support and patience.

I will be in touch in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Ms McIntosh Head of School.

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