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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to be able to start this letter to you all with some brilliant news! Emma Allison, one of our Y3/4 teachers had a baby girl last Sunday – mother and baby are both doing really well.

We are so sorry to be saying goodbye to Sarah Wilson, our school librarian (not the Year 1 teacher!) She has been associated with Fishergate School for over 20 years, first as a parent of five children, and then - luckily for us - agreeing to help take care of Dotti's library. Her knowledge of children's fiction has been invaluable in helping us keep the library stocked with the latest fiction and non-fiction, and we are lucky that she has helped to keep our library the wonderful haven for readers that it is. Our thanks and appreciation go to her.

Thank you to all of you for your continuing support with our Covid procedures. It remains vitally important that we stick with these so please keep going with face coverings, only one parent/carer bringing their child on to the playground, maintaining at least a 2m distance from others and using the one way system. We have reviewed what we are doing in school to try and balance keeping our bubbles as small as possible whilst providing the best possible learning experience for our children. Changes have been made to timetables to ensure that wherever possible adults only work in their own classrooms. Changes have also been made to maths, reading and phonics groups to limit the adults moving and the amount of children in different bubbles. All guided reading will now take place in the children's own classroom with their class teacher/teaching assistant. So far, our bubbles have all shut due to adults contracting Covid, so we are hopeful that ensuring that adults have close contact with as few children as possible will minimise the amount of children that we need to send home.

Next week the kitchen will be starting to offer hot food again – they have cleverly worked out a way of delivering hot food to the classrooms. Hopefully you will have seen the new menu; if not it is on the school website.

Have a great weekend,

Tina Clarke