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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: The next phase of implementation for McKie Mastery™ in Years 1-6

I am writing to inform you that we are excited to be moving into the next phase of implementation with McKie Mastery™ this week.

As you will be aware from previous communications and parent forum meetings, the success of the McKie Mastery™ approach relies heavily on children being grouped according to their learning needs. With the constraints of bubbles and limited ability to mix children across the school, we have not been able to fully implement McKie Mastery, by ensuring children are appropriately grouped.

The benefits of grouping children across the school are:

- All children within each group have the same learning needs and therefore will benefit from more focussed teaching time, with the adult being able to give 100% attention to the needs of the group
- We have more adults trained to deliver McKie Mastery than we have classes meaning we can divide 9 classes into up to 15 groups across school
- The groups for Literacy and Maths will be much smaller than classes with numbers ranging from 6-27 depending on the needs of the children
- Children tend to make accelerated progress and can be quickly moved into groups that best meet their learning needs; all children are reassessed every 8 weeks as standard practice.

Some important points to note:

- Children may be taught by a different adult for Literacy and Maths, this could be their class teacher but may not be
- Children's groupings for Literacy and Maths will be different
- Children may be taught in different rooms for Literacy and Maths
- Children will be in their Literacy group 9:10-10:40 each day and in their Maths group 11:00-12:00 each day. At all other times they will be in their classes
- Class teachers maintain overall responsibility for the progress and learning of all children in their class and will regularly review learning with adults leading groups for their children

We plan to move into groups from Wednesday 8th September and there are bound to be a few teething issues as we get used to this new way of working, but we anticipate that the long-term benefits to learning will be worth it and would be happy to support you with any questions you may have.

Kind regards,

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