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Dear Parents of Nightingale Class,

As you are aware the Government released confirmed guidance at lunchtime today that anyone who was shielding in the previous lockdown is to do so again. As I am sure you can imagine this is a massive pressure on the school and we have had to quickly put in place plans in order to continue the education of all our pupils whilst losing several staff members for this period.

Miss Vincent will be keeping safe by shielding from Thursday 5th November. Mrs Anderson, who is a regular supply teacher and currently covers other classes in the school, will be joining the Nightingale bubble to cover Miss Vincent in her absence. Mrs Anderson has taught at Shirley in Year 4 in previous years so knows the curriculum and our way for learning well. We do recognise this may come as a shock to parents and pupils, we will be putting in extra circle times to get to know Mrs Anderson.

We will also be ensuring both teachers have the opportunity for a full handover. Miss Vincent will continue to support learning remotely as much as possible. Miss Vincent will still lead the curriculum evening presentation along with Mrs Anderson and the other year 4 teachers next week, as well as completing the teacher written reports for your child and will be available for a one to one phone call if you would like this.

We are really fortunate to have Mr Hurst and Mr Hinton in this bubble who will continue to support the class and their learning.

Thank you for your continued support at this difficult time.

Mrs Hixon

Head Teacher

Headteacher : Mrs. A Hixon BA Hons NPQH
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