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Dear Parents/Carers,

16th December 2019

Further to my letter of the 20th November, this is an update on the leadership arrangements in the school.

I am delighted to inform you that Mr Gill is returning to full health and will be returning to school after Christmas. For the first few weeks, there will be some transition arrangements and in the early stages as Mr Gill returns to a full timetable.

We also anticipate that Miss Hill will be returning after Christmas.

Miss Lucas has obtained a new teaching post that starts in the new year and as a result will not be returning to St Joseph's. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for her service and dedication to the children and families at St Joseph's and wish her well in her new role.

Due to this news Mrs Penman will move into year 2 in January and Mrs Stevenson will continue to teach year 5.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for support and understanding during this time. This level of absence, which has been due to a unique combination of unrelated circumstances, is unprecedented.

We have worked hard to ensure that any disruption for the pupils has been kept to a minimum, inevitably things may not be running in exactly the same way. However, myself and Plymouth CAST's CEO, Raymond Friel have visited the school to ensure that the quality of what is going on in the classroom has continued to be what you would expect of St Joseph's. We are confident that this is the case.

I would like to again thank Mrs Penman for stepping up for the majority of this term and all staff who have worked so hard over the last few months.

As before, if you have any questions or queries regarding this matter, please don't hesitate to contact me, using this email address admin@plymouthcast.org.uk, putting it for my attention in the subject line.

Yours sincerely,

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