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This newsletter lets you know about staffing appointments and movements between now and the end of term and for the start of Term 2. The relevant classes and their parents have been informed of these changes in previous letters.

In a school newsletter in Term 4, 2016 I mentioned that I had been awarded a Ministry of Education sabbatical, which will see me being away from school for Term 2 this year. I will be researching into how schools sustain their involvement in PB4L and the practices they use to achieve this. Murray Davidson will be Acting Principal in Term 2 and will be fully released from his classroom teaching duties. Bronwyn Waldron will join the Senior Leadership Team as Acting Team Leader of the Senior Syndicate.

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, Rosie Ulrich will be leaving Room 2 and GPS at the end of this term to move to the Bay of Plenty. Ange Dudson-Moko has been appointed to Room 2 for Terms 2 – 4 this year. As a result of Ange's appointment, Fiona Wilcox will teach in Room 5, full time in Term 2 and two or three days a week in Terms 3 and 4.

Sarah McCone in Room 12 has been granted leave for Term 2 to enable her to travel overseas. Ingrid Hanrahan will teach in Room 12 while Sarah is away.

Some of you will now be aware that Rochelle Fisher in Room 6 has recently been diagnosed with Stage 1 cancer, which is the earliest stage. Naturally this has come as a shock to Rochelle and her family as well as our staff. The prognosis however is positive, as it has been diagnosed early. We offer our thoughts and support to the Fisher family at this time.

There have been some staffing adjustments as Rochelle will be away from school for the rest of this term and into the early stages of Term 2. Carol Tait will teach full time in Room 6 until the end of Term 1, having previously released Rochelle for Reading Recovery in the first part of the morning.

Andrea Bathgate will take over the responsibility for Reading Recovery and Ingrid Hanrahan will teach in Room 9 from 8.50 – 10.40am each day while this occurs, until the end of Term 1.

Our second New Entrant class will commence around the middle of Term 2. Glynis Sullivan and Ruth Gardiner have been appointed to teach in Room 15, for three and two days a week respectively. Both are experienced teachers and we welcome them to our staff.

A variety of reasons have necessitated these changes. I am very grateful to staff who have taken on additional responsibilities to ensure children are well catered for.

Ngā mihi nui Andrew Leverton Principal