

2 March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to inform you of a small adjustment to the daily routine for our Year R children. Beginning this week, the children will not be joining the rest of the school for morning breaktime on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

This change supports the continued development of our Early Years curriculum, particularly our focus on giving children greater opportunities for extended, high-quality play within continuous provision. On these days, morning breaktime was interrupting the flow of learning and reducing the valuable time children have to engage deeply in their play, exploration and social interactions.

Year R children will, however, continue to have morning breaktime on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is to support their transition into Year 1, where they will take part in daily whole-school playtimes.

Please be reassured that Year R children already benefit from an extended lunchtime, giving them additional outdoor play and movement opportunities each day. Alongside this, there will be increased opportunities for movement throughout the week as part of our continuous provision and outdoor learning.

Thank you for your support as we continue to refine our Early Years provision to ensure the very best experiences for our children.

Kind regards,

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