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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to let you know about some changes to the organisation of our nursery provision.

Going forward, our nursery groups will be organised into TWO classes as follows:

🐞 Ladybird Nursery Class– 2-year-olds and rising 3s

Children will remain in Ladybird Nursery until they move up to Caterpillar Nursery in the September of the year before they start school. Therefore, all children in Ladybird Nursery this year will move to Caterpillar Nursery in September 2027. Children in Ladybird Nursery will continue to wear RED.

🐛 Caterpillar Nursery Class – School Starters

Caterpillar Nursery will be for children who are due to start Reception the following Year. School starters in Caterpillar Nursery will continue to wear GREEN.

Although children may join our nursery at different points throughout the year, all children will now move up to the next nursery group together each September. We believe this change will provide greater consistency and stability for the children. It means children can develop strong relationships with their familiar adults and peers, settle confidently into their environment and have a clear, predictable transition to the next stage of their learning.

It will also allow the children to have a consistent peer group and for our provision to be more closely matched to the children's developmental stages. Caterpillar Nursery can then focus specifically on preparing children for a successful transition to school.

We are excited about these changes and the benefits they will bring to our children and families.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jacqui Perrin and Mrs Charlotte Chappell

Early Years Leaders