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9th January 2023

Re: Mrs Woodcock's Funeral

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to thank you for all your support and kind words at the end of last term and as we start this term following the sad news of Mrs Woodcock's death. It has meant so much to the Thomas Whitehead staffing team to know that you are thinking of us through these difficult times. We know that Mrs Woodcock would be touched by the support for the school.

Firstly, we wanted to let you know that the pupils, especially the children in Year 5, who worked with Mrs Woodcock on a daily basis, have demonstrated compassion and understanding, far beyond their years, and have made everyone very proud. They really are a credit to the school and to your families.

We know that many of you will be keen to hear how we will celebrate the life of Mrs Woodcock in a fitting way to create a lasting celebration of her life at the school. We are taking our time to make sure we find the best way of doing this, and that we focus on something we know would align with her love for the school.

Mrs Woodcock's funeral will be on Monday 23rd January. Many of our staff and community members, are keen to attend. In light of this, and as Mrs Woodcock has been at the school for over 20 years, we will need to close the school for the afternoon to ensure that we help everyone who needs to be there attend. We hope you understand. **Therefore, school will close on 11:45am on Monday 23rd January.**

Thank you again for your support, love, and care.

Mrs Chiswell
Head Teacher

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together*

