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Dear Parents and Carers,

Update on Nursery Provision at Wivelsfield Primary School

Further to the letter from myself and the governors on I^{st} April, I am delighted to let you know, that following further discussions with the Local Authority, it is acknowledging the need for nursery provision in the village and supporting us so we can open a nursery for 2 - 4 year olds on the school site. This is a significant breakthrough. We have to follow legal procedures that are needed to lower the age range of the school, but all being well, we will open a nursery here in January 2023. The Local Authority has already started work to place a classroom on site, which it would not do if it felt there would be problems with the legal process,

Children in the nursery will have full access to our fantastic school grounds, including our Forest School area, and other facilities at school. From early autumn, we hope to be able to hold some parent/carer and toddler sessions at school in the nursery setting so please look out for details on our Facebook page and website towards the end of the summer term.

Whilst the local authority will provide a building to accommodate the nursery, we will have to fund all the resources and equipment ourselves. We are likely to be reaching out to the local community to help us get started, so If you see us asking for donations of equipment or funds, please support us if you possibly can. We want the very youngest members of the Wivelsfield community get the best start to their education that they can!

Later in the summer term, we will contact parents and carers and reach out to the community so they can register interest for different sessions and we will also keep you updated with any further news.

Kind Regards,

Helen M. Smith

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