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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to write to you to confirm the details of today's breakdown as I've no doubt that the rumours will be rife once you speak to the children.

The day didn't start well, as the coach was late collecting the children due to road works and they didn't leave the school until 9:40 this morning. At around 10:10, whilst on their way to Blists Hill, the coach was sent on a diversion down a narrow country lane. Unfortunately, whilst the coach was stationary, a lorry passed by the coach and clipped the side of it.

This resulted in one of the windows of the coach cracking but holding together – as is the design of safety glass. No children were in danger from the glass, it did not crack on the internal layer and those who were next to the window were moved to other seats immediately whilst a risk assessment was carried out. As a result, a new coach was sent to pick up the children to take them on to Blists Hill.

Staff took the decision to remove the children from the coach to a nearby nursery so that they could use the toilets, get some fresh air and wait safely away from the road. Sadly, the new coach was also delayed getting to the children and did not arrive until 11:45. We therefore took the decision to return to school rather than have a significantly condensed day at Blists Hill.

We have spoken to Blists Hill who were incredibly understanding and have agreed to rearrange the visit. We'll let parents know when that's going to be but we're hoping to fit that in this side of the summer holiday.

I hope you can appreciate that until we had concrete information to give to parents, we delayed sharing this information to avoid unnecessary panic and confusion.

I would like to thank all the staff for their quick thinking and ensuring that the children's safety was always paramount. Similarly, the fabulous staff at Morfe Valley Farm Nursery who welcomed the children onto their site.

Lastly, I would like to say well done to all of the Year 3 children who were calm and sensible throughout the morning - no doubt they'll remember today's visit for quite some time!

Don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any further concerns or questions.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amanda Bradley', written in a cursive style.

Amanda Bradley
Headteacher

Head Teacher:
Amanda Bradley