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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I am writing to you with reference to Dragonflies.

Based on current demand, a recommendation has been made to the ATLP Trust Board to discontinue Dragonflies at the end of this summer term. We expect this to be ratified by the Trust Board at their next meeting. This is a decision that we are very sad to make as we know this provision is very much needed by the few parents who access it, but the school cannot continue to subsidise such provision at the level that is needed.

The last fifteen months of COVID have changed many of our working patterns and the need for this provision at school has dramatically reduced resulting in the club running at a significant financial loss. We have researched numbers for next year in the hope that these would increase, and although there is a slight increase, it is not enough to make running the club financially viable.

I'd like to thank Mrs Hobbs, Mrs Bannister and Mr Moss who have run the club safely and brilliantly for the last 15 months under very challenging constraints.

We know for the few parents who use Dragonflies, this will be worrying news and we are here to help in any way we can. There are many child minders in our community; if you know of any, please can you ask them to pass their details onto the school office so we can then forward them onto parents. However, please do not take our passing on of details as a recommendation.

Please do get in touch, if you need to discuss this decision further with me.

Yours sincerely

Suzie Norton Headteacher













