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Dear Parents

This half term we will be moving away from SIMs (a system which manages all of our school electronic information) to Arbor. In essence, nothing will change for the children but for staff and parents there will be some changes and some improvements.

Arbor is a cloud-based system created for schools and many schools are already using it. If you have a child at The Grange, you will have signed up to Arbor for them already.

We will not be using all of the features immediately, as we want to ensure staff are fully trained and parents have time to get used to the new system, but in time, you will be able to book meetings, make payments and access attendance information for your child via an Arbor app.

For now, we will continue to use Sims Pay for ordering school lunches.

The new system goes 'live' on 5th October but for a week either side of that date we will be limited in the data we can access or change.

Please let us know of any change to address, telephone number or emergency contacts as soon as possible.

We are confident the transition will go smoothly but please bear with us while we get up to speed on the new system!

Best wishes

Helen Frampton

Headteacher