



**Unlocking Potential Together
in Faith and Love.**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all well and ready for a well-earned Easter break with your families. As you are aware, this last term has been very busy as Ofsted visited on 11th and 12th March to inspect our school.

As always in Ofsted inspections, the pupils, parents and carers, staff and Governing Body participate in the inspection. I have to say that it was amazing to witness this school and community come together in such a positive way. I would like to thank everyone for their involvement and welcoming the inspector and showing how well we live out our motto of unlocking potential together in faith and love at The Cathedral Catholic Primary School. We have not yet received the final report from Ofsted, so it cannot be shared with you yet, but as soon as we receive it you will be informed. Thank you again everyone.

The Full Governing Body continued with their responsibilities and met this term as scheduled and were pleased to see the progress being made by pupils in all subject areas. Faith and Community, Standards and Effectiveness and Finance and Buildings Committees have all met this last term as scheduled and reported to the Full Governing Body. The Full Governing Body also received reports from Mr Mitchell who is the link governor for Maths, Mrs Mann the link governor for English, Mrs Branscombe the link governor for Catholic Life and RE and Mrs Aravinth the link governor for safeguarding. These reports continue to give governors the confidence that the children in the Cathedral Catholic Primary school are safe and receiving the best possible education and they are also listened to, especially via the Governor visits. Governors also continue to commit to training and our training link Governor Mary Smith continues to assess all our skills so we can analyse any gaps and put our skill sets to best use in the various Committees that we hold for the benefit of the school.

Governors attended Parents Evening in the Spring Term to give you the opportunity to meet us in person and ask any questions you may have of the Governing Body. I have attached an updated list of governor roles and committees for your information and should you wish to raise any matters with governors.

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to thank all the staff and volunteers for all the extremely hard work they do for the children and school community. It was wonderful to have been recognised for our inclusive attitude in the film, 'We Learn Together'. Mrs Holt is an amazing leader, surrounded by staff that work with her to educate the children through our Catholic Ethos. Thank you.



Once again, the Governing body would like to thank the PTA for all their hard work over this last term, the children benefit greatly from all the events organised for me to attend. Please do continue to support the events organised by the PTA,

Before I close, I would like to say a huge thank you to the children for the beautiful Easter Reflection that was held in our magnificent Cathedral this afternoon. It was such a wonderful experience, to walk into the Cathedral and be welcomed by two very polite children (I have come to expect nothing less from the children at our school), then to be thanked at the end by the welcomers for attending. The whole reflection, the children reading, the acting out of the Easter story, the beautiful singing and the closing prayers by the Cathedral Dean, Father John was beautiful. Well done to the staff who plan and prepare the children for the reflection.

I hope many of you will be able to attend the Easter Triduum at the Cathedral, the times of the services are on the Cathedral newsletter or you can find them on the Cathedral Website. On Easter Sunday, we will have an Easter egg hunt for the children following 10.30am Mass. It would be wonderful to see as many families as possible

Wishing you all a peaceful and Happy Easter.

Clare

Chair of governors



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The Cathedral Catholic Primary School – Governing Body Roles

Chair of Governors – Mrs Clare Nolan-Barnes

Vice Chair of Governors – Mrs Jim Mann

Finance Premises Health and safety

Father J Millar (Chair)

Ms M Smith

Mrs C Nolan-Barnes

Mrs Holt

Faith, Community and Curriculum

Mr P Mitchell

Mrs B Teasdale

Mrs S Aravinth

Mrs C Branscombe

Mrs Holt

Standards and Effectiveness

Mrs J Mann

Mr S McMahon

Mrs N Holt

Mrs Dickinson

Nominated Governors

HRE/PSHE – Mrs B Teasdale

Inclusion/SEN – Ms M Smith

Training Link – Ms M Smith

EYFS – Mrs J Mann

Safeguarding – Mrs S Aravinth

English – Mrs J Mann

Catholic Life and RE – Mrs C Branscombe

Health and Safety – Mrs C Nolan-Barnes

Maths – Mr P Mitchell

