





Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of what has been a Term of challenge and sadness and on behalf on the Governors I would like to thank Kathleen and all the Staff for their resilience and commitment in managing the difficulties they faced this Term.

The Term began with the Ofsted inspection in January. Although the final grading was disappointing the report contained many positive references to teaching and learning and a genuine acknowledgement that the school is working in an upward direction . We now have targeted support from the LA to help develop our progress, which is really welcomed and for such we are grateful. As the new term progresses I hope to share more detail of the Governors progress with this support. We truly now must all Work together to Succeed.

The School Community then had the devasting news of the passing of our well loved and respected Site Manager, Paul Cash. The sudden loss of him was a shock and one that the whole school community found hard to cope with. The family requested we say goodbye to him as he left the family home and it was a poignant time to see so many in the road as the Funeral cortege left. Paul's family also welcomed us to the Funeral and it was a privilege to be a part of such a lovely service and a great testament to Paul to see a packed Crematorium Chapel. He is and always will be greatly missed.

On a very positive note our PTA have once again invested time and money into some improvements in the school. They have created a greatly enhanced Study area for Staff and organised their ever popular cake sales at the Merit assemblies. We are always so grateful for their support and work. Please support the PTA School Fair on June 29<sup>th</sup> that takes so much time and planning.

The Governors have also had a positive time in the recruitment of 3 much needed new Governors. We welcomed Lorna Shemmings, Jason Wong and Jamie- Leigh Tinsley at our March meeting. We are grateful to them for being willing to give of their time and expertise to our Board and we look forward to working with them.

Our thanks, as always to the Staff for their great dedication and hard work, to your children and young people for being so amazing and a privilege to work with and to you our families for your constant support.

On behalf of the Governors I wish you all a happy Easter break.

Sincerely.

Paula Violet
Chair of Governors