



CEO LETTER Autumn 1 2025

As the Autumn colours become so vibrant, it's hard to believe we have already reached the end of this wonderful, yet long, first half-term. Goodness, where has the time gone!

It has been a period packed with excellent learning and vibrant opportunities for your children, from exciting trips and visitors to residentials, services and a range of events. We are so proud of everything that has happened across our seven schools and to the staff for ensuring this happens so seamlessly for our children.

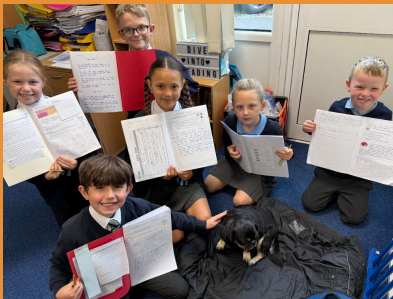
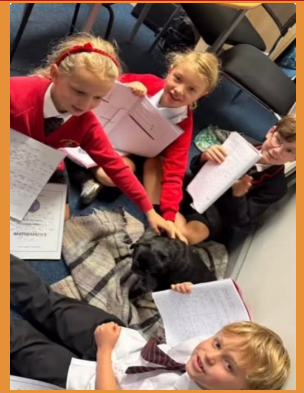
I have thoroughly loved visiting all of our schools several times again. My visits have been for many reasons, including curriculum and standards meetings, but my highlights are always the moments I get to see the children's enthusiasm firsthand. I've had the pleasure of being involved in pupil voice sessions at All Saints, St Mary's, The Howard, and St Andrew's, and it was a privilege to hear their thoughts.

I've also been blessed to attend some of our lovely harvest services at Anson, Richard Crosse, All Saints, and St Mary's. Thank you so much for your generous donations and for helping us celebrate that wonderful sense of community spirit.

Children at St Marys led our Trust worship on responsibility - it was so well structured with lots of opportunity to answer and join in. They looked at a range of responsibilities as well as online safety!

We've had some fantastic community events, too and was thoroughly delighted to be asked to officially open the new 'Reading Shed' at St Andrew's. It looks gorgeous and is fully stocked for the children. What a wonderful achievement by the SASA (PTA) – the children were so excited!

Behind the scenes, our Headteachers, leaders, and governors continue to work diligently. We have held positive 'Team around theSchool' meetings to review our curriculum, standards, and attendance, celebrating much success while also identifying our next steps for development. Our school leaders are also working hard to unpick the latest OFSTED framework to ensure we are always moving forward. Please be reassured that this is all positive, background work to make your children's education the best it can be.



Rev. Jules Smith & Sophie Skelton



We are thrilled to formally welcome our new Directors Sophie Skelton and Rev. Jules Smith for link Directors roles for The Mease.

It just leaves me to say a huge thank you to you all for your support during this superb half-term.

I know many children are looking forward to Halloween. If your family is taking part in 'trick or treating,' we hope you have a wonderful time—please stay safe, be visible in the dark, and be respectful of neighbours who may not be celebrating. As a Christian Trust, this time of year also reminds us, as the nights draw in, to be a positive light in our communities, reflecting the message of hope and the light of Jesus that shines brightly for all.

I hope you and your children have a very restful and well-deserved break. We look forward to seeing everyone back for Autumn 2 after our staff INSET day where we are looking further at the effective use of AI in our work.

Thank you, regards, Charlene Gethin and *Ralph*.