

31st January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to introduce myself to you as the Chair of the Emmaus Board of Directors and say how delighted we are to welcome St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Worcester, into our Emmaus MAC community. On 1st September 2024, the overall responsibility for your school, in terms of educational performance and financial management, transferred from Worcestershire Local Authority and the Local Governing Body to the Emmaus Board of Directors. We continue to greatly value the essential work of the governors in fulfilling their delegated responsibilities and supporting the day-to-day operations of the school.

Prior to the conversion date, our CEO, Mrs Suzanne Horan and our central team have been supporting your school to ensure a smooth transition, and since 1st September, a huge amount of work has been done to ensure that we have an accurate overview of the current situation. There are some significant challenges to address, particularly relating to finances and pupil numbers, as with many schools across the country.

Please be assured that we will continue to work closely with Mrs Bury and your Local Governing Body in order to ensure that we protect and secure the future of Catholic education in your community.

Thank you for your support

Joanna Griffin Chair of Emmaus Board of Directors

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