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Dear parents and carers,

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It has been a while since I contacted you to inform you of the tasks undertaken by your Governing Body and much has happened since my last letter.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Governing Body to congratulate Mrs. Hawley on the birth of her baby and look forward to welcoming her back in a part time role in Year 1/2 in September.

It is with great pleasure that we shall be welcoming Miss Righton to the staff on a permanent basis in Y3/4 from September. I know she has already made an impact on the school with her positive attitude and infectious laugh. I look forward to watching the Key Stage 2 team developing over the year.

We have also welcomed 2 new foundation governors to the Governing Body; Mrs Mary Stott and Mr Andrew Hughes. Both are past parents of the school and have strong links with the parish. Over the next few weeks, they will be adding a little information to the school website about themselves. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for volunteering to support our school and am confident they will share their expertise to help us improve even further.

The OFSTED inspection was a very successful challenge back in January and the report summed up our school perfectly, and gave us great pride in the way that all involved were able to show off our school. A huge vote of thanks to pupils, parents governors and particularly Mrs Price and the team, especially with so many new staff.

So what has the Governing Body been involved with since my last letter?

- appointed 2 new foundation governors
- agreed the teaching plan and appointments for September
- up dated school policies on Safeguarding, Special Educational Needs, Health & Safety and Sex and Relationships
- agreed the school budget over the next 3 years
- supported the school through the OFSTED inspection
- monitored standards across the school
- met with maths, Catholic Life and Health and Safety staff
- researched funding streams with HS2 and Codemasters
- reviewed the school mission statement
- attended school assemblies, Easter Performance and masses
- discussed necessary building work in the school
- agreed staff ratios for Early Years
- continued to share ideas regarding the academisation agenda

It is good to note that the Governing Body is almost full. There is just one vacancy currently for a Foundation Governor.

At the first business meeting in September, we shall undertake a skills audit to discover in what area we need support. Hopefully this will lead to a full team.

I wish you all a restful and happy half term and lots of lovely events as we approach the end of the school year

Angela Scull
Chair of Governors.

