



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Diocese of Clifton

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Dear Parents and Carers

22nd October 2020

It has been some time since we as Governors communicated with you but do not fear that this is because we have either forgotten you or are failing to keep you updated on information that you will find either interesting or useful. The role of the Governors does include a lot of administrative duties, include writing school policies, balancing budgets and ensuring that the staff and building are being looked after as well as our children of course.

Obviously Covid has affected us all and changed our lives considerably, including ours, the teachers and our children. We have been meeting online throughout the pandemic and working closely with the school heads to ensure that the school was as well organised and prepared as it could be for a safe return this September.

We have been incredibly impressed by Mrs Howells and her staff in providing such a safe and supportive environment for our children to commence their learning journeys. We would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Howells in particular for the way in which she has stepped up to her new position with such confidence and professionalism.

There is already a great positivity amongst the children with regards to seeing their friends and returning to their school-work and it is particularly gratifying to see the sense of community returning to the school once again. This has been supported by all of the parents adopting safe practice by wearing face masks at pick-up and drop-off and following social distancing guidelines. The Governors and the teaching staff would like to thank you all for your help and support with this and encourage you to keep doing so.

The continuation of these practices will help the school remain open and our children benefiting from the great education they are receiving at St Joseph's.

We as Governors will continue to meet each month virtually and to work with Mrs Howells to support her and her team in all of the ways we can to ensure that we remain a positive and successful school in these difficult times.

We may not be in touch that often, but you are always welcome to question us if you would like clarification on any matter. However, we promise to keep you informed on all of the information that is most important for you and your children.

Yours sincerely

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