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Dear Parents and Carers,

It seems like only yesterday when first I took on the role of Chair of the Interim Governing Board and here we are approaching the February half term.

We are making good progress with the reorganisation of governance for the four schools, it is always the case with school governance and its strategic role much of our work remains unseen. However there are a number of subtle changes under discussion for instance a name for the four schools, which Mrs Dudman has mentioned in her news letter which we hope you can be involved with, and also changes to our websites. We are also looking at different ways of working and linking with the four schools to fulfil our role effectively.

Change invariably brings challenges but be reassured our absolute priority is to fulfil our role in the safety and high quality of education for the children we serve.

It has been different holding our meetings remotely but the interim board is now established and we have a team of experienced and committed governors, who were serving in the schools previously, to take the reorganisation forward.

We are all aware of the difficulties that the lockdown and closure of school have brought for parents and carers. It has also been an extremely difficult time for Mrs Dudman and all the staff in providing lessons, not only for the children of our front line workers but also the children who are working from home.

Everyone will agree it's been a steep learning curve and its been great to see how our families and staff have embraced the challenge and how home learning has evolved and developed. I know members of staff have received many well deserved messages of thanks and support for all their work I can tell you this is much appreciated.

Regards

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