

# ST. JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL (SJF)

## *Governors' Newsletter – Autumn Term 2021*

### **Welcome**

The governing board of St. John Fisher Catholic Primary School welcome our new and old pupils, parents/carers and staff to this exciting and optimistic Autumn 2021 term! We believe that you all enjoyed the Summer holidays!

For your safety and wellbeing, we will continue to work harmoniously with the leadership team of the school, to ensure full compliance with all statutory policies including the health and safety guidelines on Covid-19. To update yourselves on the policies, please visit the school's website.

### **Governing Board Focus**

As governors, our main priorities remain to,

1. Ensure that learning and behaviour standards are outstanding and attainable by the children.
2. Ensure that the pastoral care of the pupils is outstanding.
3. Support the school in achieving its set aims and objectives.
4. Ensure best practices across board in the school.
5. Support periodic review of existing policies and set targets.
6. Ensure that new policies are in place and in line with regulatory requirement.
7. Be a critical friend to the head teacher and management staff.
8. Through active communication with governors and staff, share improvement ideas and solve problems.
9. Encourage on-going training for teachers, parents/carers and governors.
10. Promote equality, inclusion and safeguarding of pupils and staff.

## **Training**

Governors have continued to access on-line trainings to keep abreast of relevant regulatory and statutory policies.

You are advised to regularly visit the school's website, to update yourselves with information on statutory policies and school activities. You can also follow the school's activities on twitter **@stjohnfishercps**.

Given the present circumstances, Open evenings and trainings will be at the discretion of the school's leadership team.

## **Meetings held by the governing board.**

In the last term, we held a general governing board meeting. The Curriculum and Resources committees also held their meetings. These meetings will continue to hold as scheduled.

## **Link Governors**

Link governors will continue to work proactively with the school's key staff in the following areas:

- Safeguarding
- Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
- Pupil premium
- Health and Safety
- Training

## **School Activities**

Governors will continue to assess the possibility of attending events, taking into consideration associated risk factors.

## **Punctuality/Attendance**

Our school's aim is to achieve 100% attendance and punctuality. As governors, we remain resolute in working with the school to achieve this. We encourage parents and carers to work in partnership with us to ensure that their child(ren) come to school daily and are **punctual**.

## **Parking**

Governors continue to closely monitor the parking situation outside our school gates. We advise parents/carers to comply with the parking regulations for the safety of our children and members of our community. We also encourage our pupils to walk to school. Remember, we are role models for our children.

Stay safe!

Best regards,

**St. John Fisher Catholic Primary School Governing Body**