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To Parents, Carers & Guardians

School Governing Body replaced by Interim Executive Board (IEB)

I am writing on behalf of the IEB to introduce myself and my colleagues and explain a little about our role and what you can expect from us.

The Saints Federation has been working closely with the Local Authority during the changes in leadership. Some significant challenges had been identified and the Governing Board decided that they did not have the collective capacity to address these issues in the timeframe required and have therefore stepped aside. We would like to thank them for their service to the schools and community.

As part of this process the Local Authority made an application to the Department for Education to temporarily replace the Governing Board with an Interim Executive Board (IEB). An IEB is a small body appointed on a short-term basis to support a school that is in urgent need of improvement.

The IEB of The Saints Federation was appointed by the Regional Schools Commissioner in accordance with section 6 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act") with effect from 15th June 2022. This small group of experienced governors is now in place and will be working together with Miss Price and the staff to move the schools forward.

There are three members of the IEB who bring a range of expertise.

The membership of the IEB is:

Kay Swann – Chair: Experienced Headteacher (retired) and governor, Diocesan School Support Officer

Micky Harcourt-Heath: LA Senior Adviser – Education Quality Assurance, Intervention & Regulation Service

Jon Moule: Diocesan School Distinctiveness & Standards Manager



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The website will be updated with further information about the IEB.

Our role is to ensure that The Saints Federation schools have a strategy for sustainable improvement at which point we will help the schools to re-establish a governing body.

The purpose of an IEB's high-quality governance is to support developments in sustainable leadership, effective safeguarding and the provision of high standards of educational achievement.

Alongside the Local Authority and the federation's senior leadership we will help develop systems and procedures that provide a sound basis for school improvement.

As we do so, we will be seeking the views and thoughts of all stakeholders, including parents, pupils and staff, to provide the best possible education for the children.

The IEB will meet at least monthly and visit the schools regularly to ensure that swift progress is made. In the meantime, if you have any questions about the role and function of the IEB, please contact me via letter marked 'confidential' through your child's school office.

All of us want the best for our pupils and we look forward to working with The Saints Federation Schools.

Sincerely

Kay Swann

Mrs Kay Swann

Chair of IEB The Saints Federation