

**Dear Parents, Carers and Friends**

On behalf of the Local Governing Board of St. Francis Catholic Primary School, I would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your child as they start their school life with us. I know that this will be an exciting time for your family as your child starts in reception class.

If you have older children at St. Francis you will already know that our school is a supportive learning community. If this is your first child to join us, we want you to know that we seek to give each and every one of our pupils a high quality education and the opportunity to develop the skills and personal qualities that will be of value to them throughout their lives.

As Chair of Governors I am delighted to be working as a member of a dedicated team offering support and encouragement to the Headteacher, ensuring the school provide the best possible education for all its pupils and holding the school to account to those it serves.

Whilst acknowledging our duty as governors to ensure that children receive a high quality education, we recognise that learning does not start and end at the school gate. Therefore the Local Governing Body works in close partnership with our local catholic community, the wider Diocese, through our Catholic Multi Academy Trust and, most especially, you as parents and carers.

The Governors and I look forward to working with you to support your child as they journey through this primary phase of their development at St. Francis School.

Should you have any thoughts that you would like to share with the governors, we can be contacted through the school office

Kind regards,

Helen Webb  
Chair of Governors