

## GOVERNOR UPDATE

**April 2020** 

'Be strong and of good courage... for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.' Deuteronomy 31:6

## A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNING BODY

Dear Parents,

We hope you, your families and loved ones are well.

In these difficult and uncertain times we wanted to let you know what the Governing Body has been doing. But first, we are saying goodbye to two teachers at the end of this term. Mrs Talbot and Mrs Woolfson are both leaving and we would like to extend our thanks and appreciation and wish them both well for the future.

On the Governing Body we are delighted to announce that Mrs Gibbins has recently joined us. We are thrilled to have her on-board. Mrs Gibbins knowledge and experience will be an invaluable resource for us. We have however said goodbye to Mrs Leigh. Mrs Leigh has made an enormous contribution to the Governing Body both as a member and as Chair. We would like to extend our thanks and gratitude for all she has done.

The Governing Body has met weekly by video-conference following the announcement by the Secretary of State for Education on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, to discuss the implications for our school, children and staff. Following guidance from Bucks CC the school is now listed as being closed. We wanted to let you know, however, that if any parents who fall into the key worker category require care for their child/children during the school day they should contact Mrs Groom and every effort will be made to make suitable arrangements.

We have been supporting Mrs Groom and the staff and as Chair I continue to have regular contact with Mrs Groom via email and phone. The school and the Governing Body are keeping up to date with advice and information being provided by the DfE and Bucks CC and we are using this to inform our decision making. Mrs Groom has also been having regular meetings with staff via video-conferencing and you will have seen already how the school is communicating with you and your children and supporting you in maintaining regular learning activities at home. We plan further activities after the Easter break. Continuing to provide learning opportunities for our children while they are at home will remain a focus for the school and the Governing Body. We would like to extend our most grateful thanks to Mrs Groom and the staff who are supporting these initiatives.

We know how much we all value our school community and would encourage parents and children to keep in touch with the school and each other whilst we are learning at home. If you would like to contact the Governing Body at any time you can do so by emailing <a href="mailto:chair@cadmoreendschool.org">chair@cadmoreendschool.org</a>.

I have attached a few links below that you may find useful over the coming weeks.

Finally, we wish you all a Happy Easter. Stay safe and well.

Best wishes,

Jackie Day, Chair of Governors E: chair@cadmoreendschool.org

## Health and well-being:

https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/for-your-body/move-more/home-workout-videos/https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/

Virtual tours of museums around the world are available on-line. For example - https://britishmuseum.withgoogle.com

The Oxford Diocesan Board of Education has published a range of materials for families to use with children. <a href="https://www.oxford.anglican.org/schools/resources-pps-2-2-4/">https://www.oxford.anglican.org/schools/resources-pps-2-2-4/</a>

'The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled' *Plutarch*