

10th May 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

When we wrote to you at the end of last term with the Ofsted report, we gave you some assurances that every effort would be made to address the areas which Ofsted have identified require improvement. Governors had made clear their expectations that the Action Plan would be one designed to deliver rapid progress in all those areas of concern and the key themes, actions and initiatives are set out in the document attached. A more detailed version will be used for the close monitoring of individual actions but we think this document will give you a very strong feel for where our efforts are being placed and the sort of activities and initiatives which are planned (or indeed are already being implemented) to help move the school forward.

Accompanying this letter is a set of Questions and Answers generated either from the two parent sessions we held recently or from 'on line' enquiries sent through to the chairgb@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk email address. The Q & As will also be posted on the school website. We are hoping to run similar sessions later in the term to update parents on progress and provide again an opportunity to raise any further questions.

At both meetings, we spoke about our ambitions to improve communication with parents and suggested setting up a small working party to help make some progress in this area. We received offers from a couple of parents to take part in this, but want to extend the invitation to all of our parents, many of whom for a variety of reasons, were unable to attend either of the meetings. This will ensure a broad cross section of parents, year groups etc. and a form is included in your pack, should this be of interest.

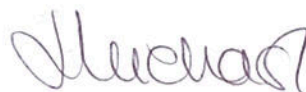
Finally, a reminder that we will be holding elections for two Parent Governors in the next month or so and should any parent be interested in putting themselves forward like to know a little more about what that role entails, then please contact the Chair (via the email address) who will be only too happy to meet up and provide more information.

Once again, we thank you for your support at what, we recognise has not been the easiest of times for the whole school community. However, we hope you will take this letter and the other documents as reassurance that everything is being done to help the school move forward and address whatever concerns Ofsted and you, as parents, might have about how the school is performing.

Yours sincerely



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