



# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

You may have seen a national story yesterday that referred to allegations made against our headteacher and the school.

We wanted to inform you that we in the Interim Executive Board are aware of the allegations and are taking these complaints and concerns very seriously. We have been working with our partners for some weeks to formally address these issues and ensure that governance at the school is robust and rigorous with all the appropriate processes being followed.

Our work to address these issues will continue throughout the summer break and while this takes place, we kindly ask you to refrain from speculating online. At this stage we're not able to go into specific details with you about the ongoing situation.

Mrs Woods has asked us to share that she feels that the recent in depth assessment reflected in the Ofsted inspection report is a good indication of the status of the school and its leadership. The Ofsted inspectors were very thorough and observed all aspects of the school's management and care for its children.

We asked you to trust us, and we continue to ask you to place your trust in us. We will be as open with you as we can be, but that doesn't mean we can get involved in commentary on matters which must be confidential. We completely understand that this has been an unsettling time but please rest assured that your children's education and the wellbeing of the whole school community are our top priorities, and we are dedicated to continuing to build on the recent positive Ofsted inspection and ensure the school's learning environment is as positive as it can be.

Many thanks

Kirsty Martin, on behalf of,

**The Interim Executive Board**