



## DOWNVIEW PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

July 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

As another year comes swiftly to a close I am sure you all agree that this has been yet again another very different year to others.

Since my last newsletter we appointed, in February, two new Parent Governors, Ms Claire Youdell and Mr Tim Jacob and at the end of May Mr Simon Brand stood down as a co-opted Governor. All our Governing Body meetings have been conducted over Microsoft Teams, this has worked really well and will probably continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

We would like to say fond farewells to some staff members; Mrs Fiona McKenzie who has been with the school for 22 years and to Mrs Kim Howarth who has been with us for 16 years. We wish them both well in their retirement. Miss Emily Clevett is also leaving us after 7 years to complete her teaching degree at University, we wish her well with her studies.

Farewell and good luck for the future to all our Year 6 children. We wish you well and are sure, although you will be sad to leave Downview, you will have an exciting time ahead of you at your new schools.

Governors would like to thank Mrs Williams and all her team who have been absolutely amazing over the last two years. Their dedication and commitment to the children and the school has been second to none. We are very proud of them all.

We would also like to thank you as parents, who have had more time at home with your children since they were babies and have tried to support their education as best you could. Most of all I would like to thank our children who have borne the brunt of this cruel time with much of their usual routines taken away from them and their friendship circles distanced. But they have come through this showing such great resilience as only children can do.

I would like to thank all my fellow Governors for all their help and support over the last year. Their dedication to Mrs Williams, the school and I has been overwhelming.

Have a great summer.

Mrs Sue Hawthorn  
Chair of Governors