



Friday 7th May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers of Children at Leopold Primary School,

Since taking on the role as Chair of Governors in January 2021, I have very much enjoyed getting to know the school and have been deeply impressed by the staff, children and parents that I have met. I have been pleased to observe during my visits to both sites of the school that, despite the unique circumstances of a pandemic, staff and pupils are thriving together in creating a safe and happy learning environment where every child can succeed. As the recently retired Headteacher of a Brent Primary School I can, with some experience, clearly see how Leopold Primary is an amazing place for your child to be learning and achieving.

As you will be aware, our Executive Head Teacher, Mrs Ashton, will sadly be leaving us at the end of the Summer Term, after over three years at Leopold. Needless to say, the improvements made under Mrs Ashton's leadership have been exceptional and she will be greatly missed by staff, governors, children and parents. On behalf of the full Board of Governors, I would like to thank Mrs Ashton for her drive and vision to support every child; and all of the staff for their tireless work in realising this ambition.

The Governors are pleased to confirm that a new Executive Head Teacher has been appointed for Leopold. Miss Mollet is an experienced Head Teacher and will start on the 1st September 2021. Governors were impressed with her passion and strong belief in the role of education in transforming children's lives and her dedication to ensuring children reach their full potential – achieving the highest standards of academic excellence and ensuring that they are known as individuals with unique personalities, talents and aptitudes. Her experience will be invaluable as the school moves forward in the coming years.

Miss Mollet will be visiting the school next week on 13th May to have a tour around, as she starts to familiarise herself with Leopold. Later in the term, she will be in school more regularly, and so if you see her at school, please do say hello. I'm certain you will make her feel welcome. In due course, and when it's safe to do so, Parents and Carers will have a more formal opportunity to meet our new Executive Head Teacher.

Finally, on behalf of all Governors, I would like to thank parents and carers for the amazing support that you have given to our school and staff over the past year. It has been greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Alan McDougall
Chair of Governors