

 July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It doesn’t seem possible that it is a whole year ago that we were looking back on last year’s highlights, and now here we are looking back at the end of what has been an amazing year at St Wilfrid’s School. Each year as a Governing Body we look back and think “surely Mrs McEniff and all the Staff at St Wilfrid’s can’t top the previous years achievements and activities” and each year I am delighted to say that they have. We are so very lucky here at St Wilfrid’s School to have such a dedicated and committed staff team who all go above and beyond in whatever role they do.



As Chair of the Governing Body I have been hugely impressed with the incrediable opportunities which have been on offer to the children, we continue to have a staff team who are very creative and enterprising and I firmly believe that the continued success of our school is a clear reflection of the hard work of all our staff in whatever role they play within our school community.

The educational landscape is I feel changing at a rapid pace. The expectations that we now have of our children is rapidly rising and the demands on the staff swiftly increasing. We have to provide for every child at St Wilfrid’s so that they are able to excel in everything that they do.



The Governing Body will continue to work closley to support Mrs McEniff and all the Staff in order that we are ready to deal with the educational world that will exist in the future. I would hope that this world will continue to express the key values of our catholic education, to nuture and develop a love of learning through the support and understanding of Christ, and place our children at the heart of everything that we do here at St Wilfrid’s School.

So on behalf of the Governing Body I would like to take this opportunity to say **“Thank you”** to Mrs McEniff, Mrs Harkness and all the Staff both teaching and non teaching for your determination and commitment that each one of you has given throughout this

Academic Year, it is so very much appreciated by the Governing Body.

 As a school we are very much aware of our need to keep up the good work, search out areas for improvement to take the school forward, but that should never cloud the immense work done by all the staff, the wonderful achievements of all our children and the tremendous support that you as Parents and Carer’s continue to give to the school.

We as Governors have been very busy this year in upskilling ourselves in order to ensure that St Wilfrid’s School is at the forefront of all educational matters. We challenge and support Mrs McEniff and the Senior leadership team to drive the standards of teaching across the whole school, ensuring that all of our children have the opportunity to make excellent progress in all areas of the curriculum.

In accordance with the DFE guidelines I have written a Statement of Governance for 2023/24. This will give you as Parents and Carers and the wider school community an insight into St Wilfrid’s Governing Body and it’s roles and responsibilities. The statement can be found on the governor page of the schools website.



At the end of this summer term we have to say goodbye and good luck to Mrs Brown and Miss Harrison who are leaving us for pastures new

All at St Wilfrid’s would like to “**thank you”** and we wish you every happiness and success in all that you both do in the future.

Mr Davies, who is one of our Parent Govenors, is sadly leaving the governing body as his term of office comes to an end.

We would like to take this opportunity say **thank you** to Mr Davies for all that he has given and done during his time as a Parent Govenor at St Wilfrid’s School. However we are delighted that we will see Mr Davies around school from time to time helping with school trips and extra curricular activities.



Well done Year 6 you have provided us with so many great memories, your performance of “Wind in the Willows” was truly astounding, a true testamant to the determination and aptitude for success. We will miss you, but we know that you are ready for a new challenge. Good luck in Year 7. The entire school community of St Wilfrid’s is immensely proud of you and **“wish you all well for the future and thank you for the memories.**

We also have to say “**Goodbye**” to our Parents who will be leaving us for the last time this week. **“Thank you”** for all your support that you have given to the school during your time with us,we will miss you all.

Once again I must take this opportunity to say a huge thankyou to the PTFA committee members for all the work they do in supporting St Wilfrid’s School. I am sure that you will all agree that the recent Summer Fair was a huge success. The money raised from all the events held throughout the year really does help to enhance the education we can provide by enabling Mrs McEniff and the Staff to purchase those extra’s that the school budget will not allow. So your continued support to the PTFA fund raising activities is vital.

 **God of Wisdom**

**Thank you for all the gifts you have given to us all throughout**

**this school year. We say “thank you” for all the good things you have done in each one of us,and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of our school. We ask you to bless them and give them refreshment and peace.**

 **We make this prayer through Jesus Christ**

 **Amen**

Finally I do hope that you all enjoy the summer break, if travelling – keep safe and let’s pray for a sunny summer that will ensure we are all rested and ready for what the next school academic year may bring.

With all good wishes

***Mrs Morrissey***

Chair of Governors