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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Governors of the Federation want to say a massive 'Thank you' to all our pupils, parents and carers for the huge commitment you have shown throughout the last 20 months, to support your children's learning. It has been an extraordinary time for the whole nation, but especially challenging for families. Governors are also so grateful for the immense efforts shown by the staff in the schools across the Federation to encourage the children to persevere with learning, both online and increasingly in school, as we invited more children to attend in person. Governors know only too well what a herculean effort that has been, so 'Thank you,' once again.

It was so good to welcome all children back to school at the start of the summer term, and a huge testimony to everyone's hard work that so many had managed so well, continuing to make progress in their learning, despite the challenges they faced. But we could also see that the younger children, in particular, had found working online more problematic, and all children had missed learning together with their friends.

However, Governors are delighted to tell you that, since returning to school, the children have shown huge enthusiasm for learning, and thanks to the hard work of staff and a well-designed catch-up curriculum, our children are making phenomenal progress – so much so that they are ahead of national trends. Because of this, we anticipate that our pupils, with your support and the staffs' amazing commitment, will continue to make tremendous progress over the course of this academic year.

That is just amazing, and we are so thankful to everyone who has contributed to this success and ask for your continued support for your children and our schools as we continue.

Best wishes,

Rev. Anna Burr
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