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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we start the new school year, it's an ideal time to reflect on the school's achievements in the past 12 months.

There are currently 8 members of the Governing body which includes the Headteacher, a staff governor, two parent governors and 4 members of the local community. We have the capacity to take two more community governors - if you know anyone that would be interested, we'd love to hear from you. We meet six times a year, but also make frequent visits to school.

It has been an incredibly busy year and we're really pleased to see that the hard work of Ms Wheeldon and the team is starting to show in the results across the school. On our visits we've seen some excellent examples of current work and speak in detail to both the teaching staff and the children themselves. We've seen some great, sustained improvement across the whole school in terms of achievement and progress, and we can't wait to see this continue into the future.

Last year we set out our new vision and goals for the school over the next 5 years, and we were grateful for the feedback from staff and parents. Working hard to help our children reach their full potential academically whilst achieving positive emotional, mental and physical wellbeing is a cause that we are sure we all agree on.

Having had our full OFSTED inspection in May, the report confirmed our findings that the school is performing at a high level, and it also gave some direction on what we need to do to improve further. We are very proud of Ms Wheeldon, the staff and the pupils, and we hope that you all had a well-earned rest over the summer break.

2024 has been a great year for the Mary Bassett Lower School, and 2025 will be even better!

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