

17<sup>th</sup> December 2025

## A message from the governors:

Dear Parents and Carers,

At St Mary's Junior Academy, our vision is beautifully captured in the words: **"They will soar on wings like eagles."** This reflects our belief in helping every child grow into a respectful, responsible global citizen—someone who contributes to their community with compassion, courage, and confidence. We know that children thrive when they feel loved, supported, and inspired by an ambitious curriculum that enables them to live life in all its fullness.

Our school values guide everything we do each day:

- **Respect shapes us**—we value ourselves, each other, and the world, celebrating and understanding differences.
- **Responsibility enhances us**—we take ownership of our learning and actions, striving to make the impossible possible.
- **Community and love guide us**—we are kind, supportive, and committed to playing a positive role in our communities.
- **Courage builds us**—we are resilient, work hard, and stand up for what is right even in the face of adversity.
- **Ambition drives us**—we embrace challenges, celebrate achievements, and persevere to overcome barriers.
- **Nurture and love protect us**—we show kindness openly and seek support for our mental, emotional, and physical well-being.

Our local governance committee plays an important part in ensuring this vision is woven through every aspect of school life. Governors work closely with school leaders to uphold our values, monitor progress, and make thoughtful decisions that help all children thrive. They support our staff, hold the school to account, and ensure that respect, responsibility, and love remain at the heart of St Mary's.

Thank you for working alongside us in this shared mission. Together, we can help every child truly **soar on wings like eagles**.

Yours sincerely,

The governance team - Bruce Gordon (Chair), Natalie Butler (Vice Chair), Seeven Soobaroyen (Safeguarding Governor) and Gemma Hoskins (SEND governor)



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