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Dear Parents and Carers

The Governing Body met yesterday and made some important decisions that I need to bring to your attention.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Gregory Bath as Headteacher from 1 September in succession to Mrs Jackson. Mr Bath has worked at the school for the last ten years and needs no introduction from me. He will be the first male Head of St Joseph's School since it was founded in 1906 and also the first former pupil to be appointed as Head. We all wish him every success as he leads the school on the next stage of its developmental journey.

The Governing Board decided yesterday to open a Pre-School class in September. The Pre-School Committee has been working on this proposal for some years now, but there have been a number of problems along the way, which prevented us from opening it earlier. These obstacles have all been overcome, so we are really pleased to be able to offer this facility to local families. I should mention that North Somerset Council has supported us by providing a suitable building and funds to enable this project to proceed. Please tell your friends about this exciting development.

This last year has been a very difficult period for everyone at the school. Governors would like to take this opportunity to publicly record our thanks to the staff for all they have done during the pandemic.

Yours sincerely

Michael Flexman

Chair of Governors