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OUR LADY OF PITY ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL  
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents and Carers of Our Lady of Pity Children

At this stage, now half-way through the 2021/22 academic year, it is important to recognise the contributions of those associated with the School. The Governors are writing to thank the School's staff for their continuing goodwill and dedication, and also wish to extend our thanks to all parents and carers of its pupils.

During the home-schooling period (which did affect families in different ways) you will no doubt have come to appreciate the incredibly skilled and difficult job that the staff in school do. Their work continues apace, but return to "normal" schooling has not eliminated all issues arising from Covid protocols. It is easy to forget that their role is primarily to provide an education and not to be an adjunct to the national health service. Perhaps a day to day decline in positive Covid test results of staff and pupils and their families will ease matters. Meanwhile, staff have needed to be adaptable at very short notice to ensure that teaching and learning could continue at a very high level, and the ordinary (and some non-Covid extraordinary) challenges of daily school life have not taken the eye off the ball. At this point we would like to express our admiration at your own contribution to the home-school learning programmes and helping to keep the show on the 'A' road if not quite on the motorway".

Credit must be given to all employees, from the Head to all who work at the school, including volunteers, to stay open throughout, so that you could continue your work and lives with minimal disruption.

Saying thank you is important, and we are sure you will want us to convey your sincere thanks to all the staff for what they have done over recent months. They deserve to spend some quality time with their own families during the halt-term break.

Amidst all this, we were delighted to hear of the RE Outstanding judgement last term. This emphasised the quality of relationships across the school, and the modelling of respectful behaviours by the adults of the school community. This ethos seeks to develop behaviours which will stay with children for their whole lives not because of rewards but because they know the right way to treat others.

We hope the second half of the year can progress with less disruption.



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