

St. Catherine's Catholic Primary School, Bridport

The Interim Academy Board (IAB) Information for parents/carers November 2019

A brief newsletter for you this month in order to keep in touch and update you on a few matters.

The IAB have met twice this term and are due to meet again next Wednesday 4th December. We will be holding a 'drop in' session beforehand in the school hall between 8.40 and 9.10 a.m. so please do pop in to say hello and ask any individual questions.

Just three months into the new academic year, we feel that communication has greatly improved. The new website, monthly school newsletter, parish news and school events are keeping everyone up to date and involved with the daily life of the school. We hope you attended the recent parent evenings to meet with the class teacher and talk about the progress of your child. Mrs Burt has shared with you the notes from the last Parents' Forum together with the Post Ofsted Action Plan summary for parents. The IAB has this detailed in a Management Plan and there is an agenda item to focus on pupil progress data/meetings on the 4th December.

Since our last meeting in November, Georgina Coombs has been into school and completed a safeguarding governor visit and collected some pupil voice by meeting with the children. Other visits have taken place on RE and Special Educational Needs (SEN).

The IAB agreed at the September meeting to send out a newsletter on a termly basis rather than monthly. Therefore, the next IAB newsletter will be in March 2020 with brief updates periodically through the school newsletter.

Although there are still a few weeks until then end of term, we would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to all St Catherine's staff who work so hard to ensure that your children are kept safe and continue to make progress with their learning. We would also like to thank Mrs Burt who has led and supported the school through a period of change and is equally committed to ensuring that every child receives the best education that they deserve.

We hope you enjoy the school preparations for Christmas and wish you a peaceful and joyful New Year.

Teresa Sturtivant Chair of IAB