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Dear Year 2 parents and carers

On behalf of Cleves' trustees, I am pleased to welcome you and your child to the Cleves' community.

Cleves' trustees' ambition is for Cleves to be a forward-looking school that aims for high standards academically; that offers children the broadest possible range of educational and developmental experiences, and that provides support for the whole child – a place where every child can be happy and progress to the limits of his or her abilities and interests. Even in these uncertain COVID-19 times, when we don't yet know whether your child's start to Cleves can be 100% "normal", our ambition for your child over the next four years remains the same.

In the run up to the summer break we know our school leaders are working hard to make transition as smooth as possible; and we hope that in the not too distant future this current period of Covid restrictions and limitations will be a distant memory for you and your child. We also hope that you will enjoy supporting your child at Cleves, whether through joining our active PTA or in a range of other ways.

I won't go into detail about Cleves' governance here, but will just briefly say that trustees' role is primarily about setting the strategic direction for the school and then ensuring that the school is on track. Behind the scenes we decide how to allocate the budget and monitor it; we monitor children's performance and the school's provision for safety and well-being, and we determine the school's admissions policy – to name just a few of our varied responsibilities. During the Covid period we have prioritised keeping our children and staff as safe as possible while supporting school leaders in their drive to provide the best education and best support for children's well-being. At all times we work closely with our headteacher, Mr Hodges, and the leadership team, but we leave the day-to-day management of the school and operational issues to them. Several of our trustees are parents of current or former pupils. If you would like to know more about Cleves' trustees and how we operate then please take a look at the trustees' section of Cleves' website. And if you have any governance questions then do contact me at chair@cleves.co.uk.

I hope you and your child have a relaxing summer and an excellent start to Cleves in September.

With very best wishes

Susan Foster Chair of Trustees











