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Dear Parents and Carers,

At this time of year, one of the governors writes to you, giving you an idea of what the Board has done during the past year, together with a little information about ourselves and our role. The report is attached.

This year I want to ask for your help. The Government is undertaking a major Financial Review of all its plans for spending over the next few years, which is due to report in the Autumn. At the moment funding for Nursery Education is only guaranteed at a sustainable level until July 2020 – one year away. After that, we simply do not know. Inevitably all areas of education and all the other services are competing for funds, but I am asking if you could be aware of our situation and if requested, would ask you to act to preserve the outstanding provision Nursery schools offers our youngest children.

Being a School Governor involves legal responsibilities and a huge time commitment to fulfil this voluntary role. Many schools have difficulty filling all their vacancies, but I am proud to say this is not the case at Kingswood. We have a full Board of Governors with each member determined to achieve the best possible outcomes for all our children. I would like to thank all the other Governors most sincerely for their commitment, dedication and support; but this year I would particularly like to single out Mick Martindale. Mick has been a governor and loyal friend to Kingswood for thirty years. He has been attending meetings, raising money, offering support and expertise and retrieving balls from the roof since 1989. This is an outstanding achievement and I cannot praise and thank him enough.

I would also like to extend my thanks to Mrs Jackson and all the staff who have worked so tirelessly on behalf of the children and to thank Sam Godfrey, who acts as Clerk to the Governors as well as Business Manager.

The Governors are all proud to be part of the 'Kingswood family' and I can assure you, we will continue to play our part in securing the best possible outcome for every child at the setting.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday and for those children and families moving on the other schools and settings, I send my best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely,

Melanie Harvey

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Chair of Governors
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