Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to write to you all as the 2023-2024 academic year gets underway. The governing body welcomes everyone to Kendrick whether as new or continuing students.

At the start of last year we had a quite a number of new governors who have now settled into their roles and are making significant contributions and focussing on a number of areas where we are mandated to provide a level of oversight. As governors we are responsible for working with Ms Kattirtzi and the Senior Leadership Team to agree the strategic direction of Kendrick and we are committed to delivering wherever possible. Collectively we bring a range of skills and experience from finance, education, legal and IT business sectors to assist senior leadership and management. We meet regularly as three committees: Learning & Teaching, Resources and Performance Review and as a Full Governing Body three times a year. We all feel very privileged to be involved in such a wonderful school and encourage any of you to become involved when we advertise vacancies from time to time.

'A' level and GCSE exam results announced in August were excellent and on a par with those seen in 2019, prior to all the interruptions and difficulties resulting from the pandemic – a testament to the hard work put in by both students and staff.

As ever we are confident that this year will continue to see some interesting events and achievements from the students whether these be scientific, sporting, musical or from the range of charitable work our students always get involved with. We have such talented students who are ably supported by both you and our dedicated staff. The Student Leadership team also has some exciting plans for the year, and we encourage everyone to get involved. In addition, the Kendrick Parents' Society also provides much needed financial support for the added extras that benefit all our students so please get involved and support their activities and requests for support.

As Chairman of the Governing Body I am always happy to hear from any of you and please feel free to contact Jackie Gray, **Clerk to the Governing Body**, if you would like to get in touch.

On behalf of the governing body, I wish you all well and am sure everyone will enjoy another successful year both academically and in terms of extra-curricular activity. The governors always enjoy hearing how students are faring and we look forward to those updates in the coming academic year.

With best wishes

Keith Miller Chairman of Governors

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