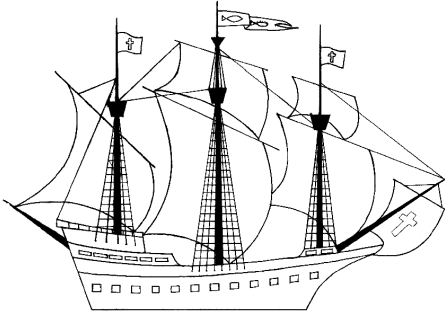

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***'The Fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness & Self Control'
(Galatians 5:22-23)***



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8th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to wish all of our families a warm welcome to this new academic year. Also, a special welcome to families who are joining us at Dawpool for the first time. Following the challenges of the last few years, it is wonderful to start this year with a true sense of community and commitment to the education, nurturing and development of all children in our care. Together, we can be in school to enable Christian values to flourish and to continue to enhance our standards and achievements.

Dawpool School Governing Body is made up of volunteers who include 6 foundation governors (appointed by the Diocesan Board of Education, in conjunction with our Rector and our Parochial Church Council), 2 elected parents, 1 elected staff member and a local authority representative. Our Rector and Head Teacher are also members of the governing body. Being a Governor involves time, energy and a willingness to become involved in the life of the school on a regular basis. Most aspects of the role are so enjoyable, mainly due to the wonderful children, supportive families and committed staff. However, the role also has plenty of challenges, particularly related to finances, an ageing building and of course the difficulties that Covid threw at us.

I have been so fortunate to have had the honour of being a Foundation Governor at Dawpool for about 19 years or so (I think my daughter was in year 2 when I started and she is now 26). I have been Chair of Governors for a large proportion of that time. I have seen many changes over the years but most of those changes, even when difficult, have made such a positive difference to the school and the children. It is now the right time for me to step down from my role. On a personal level, it is time for me to try new and different things in my 'spare' time. From a school perspective, I am totally confident that the governing body has the team, the skill mix and the commitment required to support and develop the school's values. I am also very glad that we have agreed to proceed with the process of joining CDAT (Chester Diocesan Academy Trust) as I know that will strengthen our Christian values, our school management and offer different opportunities to children and staff.

It has been a huge privilege to be involved in the great work that takes place in Dawpool as we seek to enable all of our children and staff to flourish and experience life in all its fullness.

Best wishes

Karen Robson (Chair of Governors)

***'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord. 'Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future.'* (Jeremiah 29:11)**