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Headteacher: Mrs Mitzi Nichol

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Dear Parents and Carers of Stillness Schools

I trust that you and your children have had an enjoyable summer break and that you have been able to spend some quality time together as a family.

I am writing to provide you with an update regarding the governance at the Stillness Schools Federation (SSF). As many families will be aware, the Federation started in September 2025. The aim of the Federation is to strengthen collaboration between the infant and junior schools and to share best practice across both staff teams. In addition, there is an opportunity to develop the processes that ensure a smooth transition for our children between the infant and junior phases.

Gloria Lowe was asked to be the Chair of Governors for the first year of the Federation. Her term of office was for one academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Gloria for her leadership of the federated governing body and wish her well in the future. As a result, a new chair will be elected at the first full Governing Body Meeting in September of this academic year. Families will be notified when the new Chair of the Governing Body has been elected and the website link containing governor information will be updated accordingly.

Governance remains a strength of the Federation, and this was confirmed by the positive OFSTED inspection carried out in July of last academic year in the Infant School. We are extremely fortunate to have experienced, passionate and committed Governors who want the very best for everyone in the two school communities.

If there is anything further that you would like to discuss or to be clarified, please can you contact the Headteachers of either school in the first instance. I am overseeing the governance of the Federation until a new Chair has been elected and would be happy to hear from you too. My email address is [anthony.doudle@lewisham.gov.uk](mailto:anthony.doudle@lewisham.gov.uk).

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families the very best in the term ahead.

Yours sincerely

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