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Dear Parents and Carers

Parent Governor

Following a very close run election, I am pleased to announce that Wayne Davis was elected as our new Parent Governor. Thank you to all candidates for putting themselves forwards.

Swimming Pool Update

I am so sorry that we still do not have our swimming pool open. This is having an enormous impact on our curriculum, on our behaviour support for some children and on our income (as we hire it out to a company in the evenings.) We are desperate to begin sessions again but are not allowed to at the moment.

The closure came about because we had a routine inspection which raised some issues; Haringey's Health and Safety team said we had to close.

We have not had an estimate yet as to how much this will cost (it will be thousands of pounds) but there are two problems. Firstly, as you know, we are short of money because we have not had any additional money from the Government for over six years and yet costs and wages are rising. So paying any money out has to be thought about really carefully because the work in classrooms has to take priority. Secondly, these issues seem to be because things were not done properly in the first place and, if so, that is something that the LA should pay for or pursue with the contractors.

One of our parents has kindly set up a Go Fund Me page (<https://www.facebook.com/share/azk1JSLFrQjzv-Zfu/>) to try and raise some money to move the project forwards but we still are not able to open.

Finance concerns

We are still continuing to deliver a full curriculum and are trying very hard to offer everything we have done in the past, but we may not be able to do so going forwards, due to financial issues. Please do arrange an appointment to come and talk to me if you would like me to explain things in more detail.

We are very proud of having got such a good OFSTED grading and will do everything we can to keep high standards and aspirations for our children. We are so glad that we have all of you, our parents, in partnership with us.

Best wishes

Maureen



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