

AQUINAS ADVISORY COUNCIL (AAC)

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2021

Dear parents and guardians

Our AAC met for the final time this year. Due to Covid-19 restrictions all meetings had been held via Zoom, but for the first time this year, members were able to meet in person! What a positive way to round up the year and hopefully a sign of things to come as we edge closer to resuming normality.

With the end of the school year in sight, and the summer holidays just around the corner, we can look back upon a truly remarkable year of which the whole school community can be proud. The AAC would like to thank Mrs Peyton and all of the amazing staff at St George's for their incredible hard work this year; our wonderful parents and guardians for their support and commitment during unprecedented times and last but not least, our brilliant children, whose resilience and energy have been inspirational.

Earlier this term, a small group of parents from the AAC, Parent Forum and Friends of St George's, met for the first Aspire 2 Inspire Working Party meeting. The aim of the collaboration is to support the school by helping to bolster its curriculum so that it provides inclusive, enriching and broadening experiences for our children.

With all the fantastic ideas shared and the large pool of skills, there is much to look forward to next year.

We are very pleased to report that data from a recent survey shows a significant improvement in parents' and careers' understanding and awareness of the role of the AAC. However, we would very much like to improve on this further. Therefore, we are asking for suggestions of ways we can develop our communication so that the most is made of the fantastic resources in our community. Please email the office with the 'for the attention of The AAC' if you have any ideas or questions. All suggestions will be gratefully received.



Current AAC members:

Geraldine Shackleton (interim Chair), Ellen Peyton (Headteacher), Mariam James (Trust-appointed member), Daniel Rose (Trust-appointed member), Cllr Colin Smith (Trust-appointed member), Freddy Kenny (staff-elected member), Ngozi Melton (parent-elected member - Curriculum support) and Sandra Wolf (parent-elected member - Inclusion support). The AAC Clerk is Annie Browne.

Members continue to liaise with their assigned areas which are linked to The School Improvement Plan.

Ngozi Melton on behalf of the Aquinas Advisory Council

