

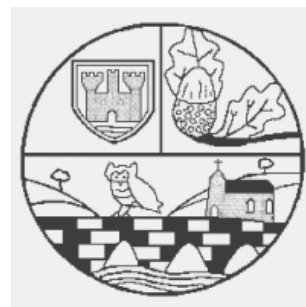
# Totnes St John's C E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Many, if not all of you, will be aware of the difficulties currently faced by Totnes St John's that have followed since the publication of the Ofsted report in December 2017, and the subsequent removal of the Governing Board earlier this year.

Since then, the responsibility for the day to day running of the school has been undertaken by the First Federation, and the responsibility for the strategic management of the school has fallen to the Interim Executive Board, of which I am the Chair.

In the case of both, the arrangements have been temporary in order to allow the Regional Schools' Commissioner time to reach a final decision about the long term future of the school.

Correspondence from the Regional Schools' Commissioner is attached, and you will see from it that Totnes St John's is to be sponsored by the Academy of Character and Excellence. The precise details of the transition from the First Federation to the Academy of Character and Excellence are still to be ratified, but in the meantime, please find attached some information about the Academy of Character and Excellence that I hope you will find useful.

I will write again once I have further details about the arrangements for the transition. I am very grateful for the support that we have received from colleagues at the First Federation, and thank them for the improvements they have already delivered.

Thank you for your continued support for the children and staff at Totnes St John's.

*Iain Grafton*

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**Chair of the Interim Executive Board**