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Dear Parents,

The Child Protection Policy Review Committee has held its first meeting and has established a work plan to ensure that all matters which must be addressed are considered in a timely fashion.

As a first step all relevant THE SCHOOL child protection policies will be reviewed to ensure compliance with legislation and to identify any gaps and anomalies that may exist. These policies will be supported by appropriate procedures to ensure their effectiveness and will create a foundation for the work of the Committee.

At its next meeting the Committee will develop a structure to ensure that the reporting of matters of concern gives confidence to students, parents and staff and ensures that information given is appropriately documented and matters sensitively handled. It will also aim to ensure that information given cannot be overlooked or lost. This will be a significant task and is one that is central to enhancing the School's ability to manage such matters and give confidence to the School community. The Committee's recommendations in terms of the structure will be provided to the School Council for consideration, along with its recommendations arising from its review of the policies and procedures.

As the Committee progresses through its agenda, I will provide further updates to you.

Yours sincerely



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Independent Chair