

**Dear Parents** 

The Board of Governors would like to thank you for entrusting the first stages of your children's education to Cargilfield. The School continues to be a thriving and vibrant community where all pupils are encouraged to try new experiences and achieve the highest standards in whatever they do.

Setting fees is never an easy task for any school and Cargilfield is no different.

While the annual cost of our excellent teaching staff is a priority, the Board of Governors must also ensure a healthy financial base from which to invest across the years in the fabric and facilities of the School. The Headmaster and staff need all the necessary tools to continue to provide the best education we can for your children.

Thanks to the efforts of a strong Senior Management Team, the School is in a robust financial position.

As such we have sought to keep changes in the fee structure for the coming year as low as we can without impacting the quality of what Cargilfield offers for each child. Accordingly we have agreed a fee increase of 1.75% for the next academic year.

In order to minimise the expenses associated with the collection of fees, we would like to encourage all parents to participate in the direct debit scheme. Consisting of twelve payments across the year, full details accompany this letter.

Strong governance continues to be a priority of the Board. In the past year we have added two new governors: Susan Younger and Rachel Bucknall, both are parents of children who previously attended Cargilfield, and will focus on legal and marketing matters respectively. The Board welcomes interaction with the parent body, and can be contacted via the School office. Details of all Governors may be found on the School website.

The Headmaster, Rob Taylor, and his staff strive to make Cargilfield one of the best schools of its kind in the country. They can only do this with the support of you, the parent body, and your children - who remain the best advert for the School.

With my very best wishes for a restful summer break.

With kind regards,

David Nisbet Chairman, Board of Governors

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