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Dear Aidan and Vicki

APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF AGE RANGE

Thank you for your application to the Diocesan Board of Education for approval to launch a consultation on changing the status of St John's CE Infant School St John's C E (C) Infant School to become an all through primary school with a PAN of 30.

Your application came before the DBE School Organisation Sub-Group for electronic approval on 24 February 2021 and I am pleased to confirm the Sub-group's approval of your application.

In giving their approval, the Board expects that the Governing Body of St John's C E (C) Infant School are seeking to become an all-through primary school in order to provide continuity of provision to the children in their school by removing a transition point at the end of Key Stage 1. This would also provide a more sustainable model of education and meet the needs and expectations of parents at the school who have consistently asked for the school to provide Key Stage 2 provision.

It is expected that the expansion will not have a detrimental impact on the educational provision for current or future statutory aged pupils. The Diocese also expects that the Governing Body will continue to work with the Diocese to ensure we are kept abreast of any developments.

In the event of a successful outcome further approvals may be required from the DBE. If the expansion involves any building works, the appropriate Diocesan Board of Education building approvals should be sought. The relevant approval forms can be downloaded from our website at www.leeds.anglican.org.

We take this opportunity of sending everyone in the school our best wishes as you prepare for this work.

With very best wishes

Yours sincerely,



Canon Richard Noake