

## St Aidan's Catholic Academy

'We believe that God has created each person to celebrate life to the full'



## 'Where excellence is a habit'

16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with deep sadness that I write to inform you of the passing of a valued member of our school community, Miss Gordon who passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Miss Gordon was a much-loved and respected member of our staff team. As Head of RE, she made a lasting impact on the lives of many of our pupils through her dedication, kindness, and genuine care for the young people in our school.

We understand that this news will be upsetting to our pupils, and we are doing everything we can to support them during this difficult time. Staff will be available to talk to anyone who needs support, and we have also made arrangements for additional pastoral and emotional support through our wellbeing services.

Please take the time to speak to your child about this news. Children and young people respond to grief in different ways, and it is important that they feel listened to and supported. If you feel your child is struggling or you need support yourself, please don't hesitate to contact us for further support or guidance.

We will be thinking of Hollie's family, friends, and colleagues, and we will find an appropriate way to honour her memory within the school community in the coming days and weeks.

At this time, we ask that no information is shared via social media to allow her family and friends time to grieve.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this very sad time.

With heartfelt condolences,

Mrs Whitten Headteacher













