

20<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It is with great sadness I write to inform you that Father Dennis Higgins, our Chair of Governors passed away this morning.

Father had been ill for some time and died peacefully in his sleep at 4.30 this morning.

Father Dennis was completely devoted to both our school and St Anne's primary. On his arrival in Buxton, he made it his mission to ensure both schools received the necessary funding to improve the buildings. Since then he has worked tirelessly and passionately for both schools, to provide a strong catholic, "with a small c", education for the community of Buxton and its surrounding areas.

He was not afraid of saying or doing what he believed to be right but always for the benefit of the schools and the pupils and staff within them. He was a wonderful servant to the community and a great friend. We will miss him enormously. Please remember him in your prayers.

Mr Keith Mastin, our Co-chair of Governors, will become Chair of Governors for the school.

Yours faithfully,

Mr B Hickey  
Headteacher

