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Good morning

I am writing to share some extremely sad news with you. Yesterday, we received the sudden and unexpected news that our Chair of Governors, Linda Lewis, passed away. This is a profound loss for Brynteg and for the wider community she served with such dedication.

Linda had been a governor for over 25 years, and before that she spent many years as a teacher in schools across Bridgend. She cared deeply about education and devoted her life to ensuring that every young person had the best possible chance to thrive. Her commitment to Brynteg was unwavering. She championed the wellbeing of pupils and staff, and she believed passionately in the values and purpose of our school.

Linda also held enormous respect for the work done by every member of staff. She was our strongest advocate in governing body meetings and beyond, always speaking up for the professionalism, compassion and dedication she saw in our school every day. Her support for Brynteg was not passive; it was active, thoughtful and rooted in a genuine desire to see our pupils flourish.

On a personal level, I have lost a friend and confidante. Linda trusted the leadership of the school, yet she was always willing to challenge us when she felt it would help secure the very best for our pupils. That balance of support and constructive challenge is rare, and it is something for which I will always be grateful.

The work of the school will, of course, continue. The governing body is meeting this week to ensure that all necessary arrangements are in place, that the stability and direction of the school remain secure and that it continues to thrive. Linda would have expected nothing less.

Her legacy lives on in the brilliant school she helped to foster - one that reflects her values, her belief in young people, and her unwavering commitment to education.

Thank you for your continued support of the school at this difficult time. Our thoughts are very much with Linda's family and friends, and with all who will feel her loss across our community.



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