

1 May 2026

Dear Parents,

I am writing on behalf of the Board of Governors with an update regarding the interim funding and information on planning for the remainder of the year.

Interim funding confirmed

We are pleased to confirm that the interim funding has now been secured. This is a secured loan which ensures that the School will remain fully operational until the end of the academic year.

We understand that recent months have been very difficult for the AESG community and we are immensely grateful for the patience of families. We only wanted to formally confirm the interim funding when the process was finalised and we hope that this provides reassurance for families. We are looking forward to the remainder of the academic year and are committed to making the remaining weeks at AESG as enjoyable and memorable as possible for all of the pupils.

Planning for an orderly closure

The Board and SL T are also progressing the careful operational planning required for the closure of the School at the end of this academic year. This includes work such as supporting transitions for pupils for September 2026, the process for marketing and selling the School site, and other legal and operational matters.

We would also like to acknowledge the work of the Parent Rescue Group. The Board has engaged constructively throughout this process with the PRG to explore whether there might be a viable route to secure the School's long-term future. We have assessed multiple proposals and provided feedback throughout. Despite the time commitment shown and the work undertaken by the PRG, no funded and viable proposal has been brought forward yet, and therefore we continue to work towards closure at the end of this academic year.

Fees

The Governors understand that some families have delayed payment of their fees for the summer term pending clarity regarding the interim funding agreement. We hope that this letter provides that comfort. The continued payments of fees, together with the interim

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funding, is critical in helping the School meet its commitments, including staff costs, ongoing operational costs, extra-curricular activities for pupils, planning for year-end events and redundancy payments.

Thank you

Finally, we want to sincerely thank our parents for the support you have shown to one another and to the School, and our staff for their extraordinary commitment and care. Our aim is to provide pupils with a wonderful end to their time here whilst recognising the need for support and care throughout the summer term. Mrs Wood will be providing practical updates over the coming weeks about events and activities that will be held with a keen focus on celebrating the School, the AESG community and our pupils.

If you have any questions please direct them to cog@aesg.co.uk

Kind regards

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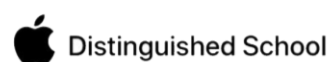
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