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Since we last wrote to you, several events have happened! Firstly, we held our first meeting with the local Authority at the end of November, at the King's School. This was a very positive two hour meeting where our vision of becoming a Voluntary Aided school was shared. We were extremely pleased with the way the meeting went. It is very difficult to summarise two hours of discussion but the outcome was that our vision was received with favour! The Local Authority has now given us the next steps we need in order to proceed.

At the end of November, we had a meeting at the Christian Centre for parents of pupils who are interested in placing their pupils in the school once we become voluntary aided. Our waiting list continues to grow so if you know people who have children who may be interested in joining us, please pass this newsletter onto them or get them to give us a call. They are very welcome to come and visit the school and talk further. We can also put them onto our mailing list for regular updates.

In December, we held a meeting for Teachers and Teaching Assistants who were keen to find out more about the vision of The King's School. This was a really good and well attended meeting and interest continues to grow. If you were not able to attend that meeting and wish to know more about future possibilities in this area, please contact the school.

As a staff at school we had our first twilight session for VA Status. This was a great meeting where vision was restated and prayer for our application took place. It is our aim to have one VA status twilight session for staff every half term from 4pm till 7pm as well as the weekly VA staff meetings that occur once a week at 8am on a Wednesday morning.

In school, we continually look at how to strengthen and develop that which we have in preparation for the future. It is very important that we begin strong as a VA school but even more so, that we diligently look after what God has already given to us. A key verse from God is Isaiah 54 v 2 and 3 which says:

Enlarge the place of your tent,

Stretch your tent curtains wide,

Do not hold back,

Lengthen your cords,

Strengthen your stakes,

For you will spread out to the right and to the left.

Please continue to help us by

Praying along side us as we move forwards with the vision.

Offering any time that you may have for admin work, as little or as much as you can give.

Offering any time that you may have for assisting a teacher in the classroom

Stepping forward if you or anybody you know can teach some Geography, Lower school Mathematics or Junior 3/4 children.

Giving financially to the vision. We have calculated £10,000 would be a great amount to realise this vision. To date, we have received £4000.

We really appreciate you taking the time to read this VA update. Our aim is for you to see The King's School as your school and to be part of this incredible ground breaking journey that we are on. As a school, God is leading us to pioneer a Christian School in a unique way that has never been done before. We are confident that this step will not only impact our city but also our Nation for Christian Education in the years to follow.