



Dear Parent or Carer

It's been a challenging time for us all following the consultation initiated by the Local Authority regarding primary school places in the Shevington area. The Governing Body of the Shevington Federation wishes to communicate our approach to the future.

Over the last six years the Federation has achieved great things. We have integrated excellent motivated teaching staff, who deliver a rich and unique curriculum with engaged and happy pupils.

We have also attracted and retained highly skilled and committed staff at all levels of the organization, who consistently deliver high quality teaching and learning to every child, no matter their school location. Their commitment to the same ethos, rich and unique curriculum and quality teaching to every school resulted in one of them achieving the Ofsted standard of 'outstanding'. Irrespective of the current circumstances, this should be celebrated.

A Governing Body has three main roles:

- To provide strategic direction for the school
- To ensure the head teacher drives forward educational performance
- To ensure financial accountability (achieve best value within given budgets).

An advantage of our Federation is the degree of flexibility we have for deploying resource where it is most needed and our ability to adapt and change to circumstances which are often not within our control. The leadership team always strives to give the best possible pupil outcome by taking best value from the available budget. Our strategic vision must account for changes through the next few years. The Governing Body will engage closely with the Local Authority transition team to ensure whatever plans are developed, also include solutions to the immediate challenges that staff, pupils and families may face.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their continued dedication to the pupils in their care.

Kind regards

*Gerard*

Gerard Hurst Chair of Governors