

23rd January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Proposals for Belmont Woodside Federation to join London South East Academies Trust (LSEAT)

I am writing to inform you that Belmont Woodside Federation has expressed an interest in joining the London South East Academies Trust (LSEAT) in order to develop opportunities for the sharing of good practice, increase capacity for school improvement and further enhancement of the educational offer for children and young people attending its schools or accessing its services. LSEAT have a strong track record of school and college support and school improvement and we are excited about the possibility of joining such a holistic and forward thinking organisation.

Following discussion with the DFE and a formal application both schools which come under the Belmont Woodside Federation umbrella have been granted an academy order with a proposed effective date of the 1st April 2019. The Governing Board have unanimously agreed that this is in the best interests of the schools, the pupils and the staff teams.

A central part of the process of progressing with these proposed changes is a consultation period which runs from 21.01.19 to 08.03.19 and a series of consultation meetings. I am therefore inviting comments and points of view from you in relation to these changes.

There will be consultation meetings with staff and parents/carers of the schools. To aid discussion and to achieve clarity about what is being proposed I enclose a document explaining the main elements of this proposal.

We have enclosed with this letter

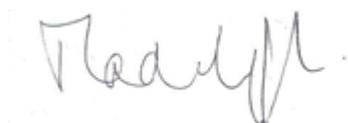
- A proposal document
- The consultation feedback form

Belmont Woodside Federation has organised consultation meetings where you will be able to hear about the proposal and ask questions. These are taking place at individual schools for parents and stake holders during the week commencing the 28th January. Dates are as follows:

Belmont School	Tuesday 29th January	3.30 p.m.	Main school hall
Woodside School	Monday 28th January	3.15 p.m.	Post 16 Common Room

I look forward to receiving your views.

Yours sincerely



Executive Head Teacher