



# Dilhorne Endowed C.E. (VA) Primary School

*'Growing in faith and learning'*

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Dear parents, carers and friends,

## **Consultation about a possible federation with our partner schools**

You will know that we have been part of a collaborative arrangement with St. Werburgh's C. E. (A) Primary School since September 2011. The Valley Primary School in Oakamoor joined the partnership last September, 2012 and this arrangement has brought great benefits to the children who attend the three schools. In the rapidly changing world of education, the three Governing Bodies have had to think strategically about what is the best option for the future.

The three governing bodies are clear in their commitment to the partnership and after considerable research they have each determined to put this on a more formal and lasting basis. This would involve a move towards what is called a Federation which they have judged to be the best option for the three schools and would allow the continuation of the current improvements in the schools. However, before taking any final decision about this, the three Governing Bodies have agreed to a consultation process that will give all stakeholders the opportunity to ask questions about this development and make comments on the proposals.

This consultation process will begin on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013 and end on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013. Along with this letter you will find a document describing the proposals and explaining how you can make any comments that you might wish to. These will form part of the body of information which will be considered at a joint meeting of the three Governing Bodies on Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

After this, the three Governing Bodies will meet separately to decide whether they wish to create a Federation or not. If any individual Governing Body decides against federation then the proposals will be dropped.

I would ask please that you take this opportunity to learn more about the proposal to federate and share with governors any comments or views that you may have regarding this important development.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Kay Hulse  
Chair of the Governing Body



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