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Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Recent Consultation on Decision to Federate**

It is with great pleasure to officially notify you that the governing boards of Breakspeare School and Meadow Wood School, after a period of consultation with all stakeholders, have unanimously voted to federate. The schools will become one federated organisation as from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017. This means that the two schools will operate as one joined-up organisation for the benefit of pupils, parents and staff. They will, however, still be recognised as two separate schools for Ofsted inspections.

If you have any concerns or queries with regards to the content of this letter or the federation, please contact Merja Paakkonen (Headteacher), Michael Wheeler (CoG - Breakspeare School) or Vanessa Robinson (CoG - Meadow Wood School).

On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 we will open a vote to choose a name for our federation. Voting is open to the parents, governors, staff and the students from both schools to express their preferred name for the federation. Further information about this will be sent via a separate email.

There will be an opportunity for the staff and parents from both schools to attend an information giving meeting that will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 7 pm at Breakspeare School. This event is to share information about the next steps of the federation process such as the governors' elections. The federation governing board will have two elected parent-governors. Welcome!

When the new federation governing board is created, you will be informed and have an opportunity to meet our new governing board.

Yours sincerely

Merja Paakkonen  
Headteacher

Michael Wheeler  
Chair of Governors

Vanessa Robinson  
Chair of Governors

