

**Market Drayton  
Learning Partnership**



Dear Richard

### **Market Drayton Learning Partnership – Stakeholder Forum**

During our first year as a cooperative learning trust, Market Drayton Infant School, Junior School, and Grove School have worked together in a range of ways, including joint approaches to curriculum changes and developing new approaches to teaching and learning. The Trust has also expanded with the recent addition of Manchester Metropolitan University and North Shropshire Teaching Alliance as partners on our board.

Now we want to develop our stakeholder forum. This will be one of the main ways in which our members can ensure that the 'community voice' influences the direction of the Trust, and vice versa. It will help ensure we develop a truly co-operative ethos.

With this purpose, you are cordially invited to a meeting at **6pm on Monday 7 March, at Grove School.**

Members from other stakeholder groups – students, parents, school staff, and individual members of our community who have an interest in our schools – will also be invited to this meeting.

Eventually the stakeholder forum will act as a separate body. It will be made up of members from each stakeholder group. It will elect its own chair and vice-chair, and it will elect one of its members to serve as a trustee on the Trust Board.

Headteachers from the three schools will attend this first meeting. They will explain briefly how the Trust operates and what it has achieved so far, and contribute to discussions clarifying the aims of the forum and how it can best contribute to the development of the Learning Partnership.

Members will then have the opportunity to discuss and agree procedures for the operation of the forum.

It is anticipated that the stakeholder forum will meet two or three times per year, allowing good two-way communication between the forum and the trust board, which meets termly.

We are keen to develop ever-closer ties between our schools and our local community organisations and do hope that you will value the opportunity to have a representative from the Community Partnership serve on our stakeholder forum and attend this initial meeting.

Yours sincerely

John Hargreaves, Chair  
Market Drayton Learning Partnership