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IMPORTANT INFORMATION - WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Dear Parents/Carers,

<u>Please take 10 minutes to read the information below carefully and thoughtfully. We need your help!</u>

As you may be aware, national government is consulting on proposals for changes to school funding that will result in a £9.3 million reduction to funding for education across Cheshire East, with 131 out of 146 schools seeing a reduction in funding.

All schools in Cheshire East are currently working together, with the full support of the local authority, to challenge these proposals. A delegation has met with the Minister, Nick Gibb MP who has given a commitment to consider the minimum level of funding required to deliver a good education and consider some historic anomalies which have resulted in this potential reduction in funding.

We ask for your support in the matter and would urge you to respond direct to the government's consultation. The consultation is available at <u>https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/schools-national-funding-formula2/</u>. We will write to you again in late February with some key points which you may wish to use to form the basis of your reply. You have until 22 March 2017 to respond to the consultation.

All schools and the local authority are committed to ensure children in Cheshire East have the same opportunities as children in similar schools and local authorities across the country.

Based on the current proposals our school we will have a reduction of £20,000, which equates to 2.6%.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely,

Lise Houldsworth Head Teacher











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