

23rd April 2024

Reach Consultation – Parent Forum

Dear Parents & Carers

It has come to light that not all of you are aware that the school is currently in a consultation process with the Reach Trust. This has been advertised on the school website and was also on a school Newsletter, plus in the local paper.

I wish to inform you that this decision pre-dates the current governing body and was voted for on 23 March 2023 (almost 14 months ago). The Reach Trust then voted as member schools and accepted Valentine as a new entrant. This was under the chairship of Penny Holloway and it was unanimously agreed by the governors at that time. It has only recently come to light, since I have been the Chair of Governors, that this consultation process had not been followed through properly and therefore you can see I am now rectifying that. I would also add that the school has been an active member of the Reach Trust - with Steve (previous Head) attending Board Meetings in the last academic year as an associate school member.

The link which is on the school website and will contain all the information you require is: https://www.valentineprimary.co.uk/page/title=CONSULTATION+%2D+REACH+TRUST&pid=52

We invite you to take part in the public consultation which is taking place from **27th March 2024 to 1st May 2024**. You can do this by:

- Reading this information and asking for further information if you need any.
- Attending the consultation meetings on 15th April 2024 (Parents) and 26th April 2024

YOU CAN ALSO RESPOND TO THE CONSULTATION

• By sending comments or requests for further information by email: reachconsultation@valentineprimary.co.uk

We want to consult widely about this proposal to ensure all interested parties have their say.

If you know of any other stakeholders who should be contacted, please inform the school.

The date for a consultation meetings have been arranged for **Monday 15th April 2024** (Parent forum) and **Friday 26th April 2024** (Range of meetings - see below)

Location: Valentine Primary School

15th April 2024 - Parent Forum

26th April 2024:

11:00 am: Union Meeting1:00 pm: Pupil Meeting3:30pm: Staff Meeting

5:00 pm: Shared parents/ Community meeting

Kind regards

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