

26th May 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

You will recall that we would write to you each half-term to update you on our progress in improving the quality of education for every child at Darlinghurst School.

Many of you will have attended our 'Coffee and Cake' event at the school, which was an excellent occasion allowing you to engage with us about your child's education. I am grateful for your comments and I hope that we will soon arrange another event.

As you will appreciate, there has been a relentless focus on preparing our children for the forthcoming SATs exams. Teaching staff have been working very hard to give additional help and support to children where needed. We hope this work will reap its rewards when the results are published.

As we approach the final half-term of the year, it's important to reflect on the positive improvement and achievement that has taken place in the past six months. Our principal, Mrs Emma Nicholls, and her staff have embedded significant changes to ensure we continue to make the improvements needed to return Darlinghurst to a 'Good' Ofsted classification as soon as possible.

We have received help and advice from successful academy trusts in developing our curriculum and improving the quality of teaching and learning across the school. Our thanks must go to our staff for their consistent focus on quality at a time of change for the school.

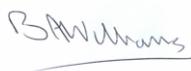
The success and achievement of every child at Darlinghurst is now recorded through data tracking. This enables our staff to offer appropriate support and help to ensure every child reaches their potential at Darlinghurst.

Finally, I wanted to let you know about some very positive news about catering arrangements at Darlinghurst. We have appointed a company called Vertas to provide school meals. The company has a fine reputation for providing meals that are healthy and fresh and nutritionally sound and look and taste great. Full details can be found on their website.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you – our parents - for your ongoing support as we work very hard to make sustainable improvements at Darlinghurst.

**We will be hosting an event for parents/carers on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm to launch the new uniform and for parents to taste the food on offer from Vertas, we hope to see you then.**

Yours sincerely,



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