

Headteacher: Mr Darren Randle

J/DR/MAT/Lets/MSM

4th April 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As you may be aware, over the last year Hollingworth Academy, as a National Teaching School and a National Support School, has been working with Siddal Moor Sports College to help them to raise standards and support school improvement.

Although there is still much to do, we have seen improvements. This view was confirmed in a recent Ofsted inspection, which noted that further improvement was required but "standards at the school have turned a corner."

During this time, Hollingworth has continued to improve. Our examination results of 2018 were our best ever. Pupils at Hollingworth make progress, which is amongst the best in the North of England.

In order to build upon our success and establish a firm foundation for the future, the Governors at Hollingworth Academy are consulting on establishing a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) involving, initially, Hollingworth Academy and Siddal Moor Sports College.

We believe the main benefits for doing this will include increased financial security and 'economy of scale' at a time of austerity and establish a long-term commitment to national school improvement.

If you have any questions, queries or concerns regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Randle, via email, at school.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Moon
Chair of Governors



Mr D Randle
Headteacher