Friday 23rd October 2015

The Headteacher / Principal / Chair of Governors

All Primary / Secondary / Special Schools / Academies & Colleges

Dear Colleagues

**Communication from Stephen Betts (Interim Chief Executive) & Bev Nicholson (Interim Director of School Improvement)**

As we reach the first break in the year, we wanted to write to thank you for the all the support that Learn Sheffield has received in its first half term. The willingness of colleagues from across the city to work in partnership, to share solutions and seek to overcome the challenges that we face is inspiring, and we are grateful for the way that we have been welcomed into this work.

We would like to draw your attention to our website ([www.learnsheffield.co.uk](http://www.learnsheffield.co.uk)), which is now live. It contains the membership pack, which is the information to support the discussions of Governing Bodies about Learn Sheffield, and this includes the application form that schools need to complete if they choose to become a member. The form is also attached to the email which contained this letter, as we are aware that a number of schools have passed a resolution but not yet sent in a form.

On the subject of the website, we would also like to make a request. Our communications contain a large number of images children and young people learning. We would like all of these images to be from Sheffield schools and colleges. We would be very grateful if each setting could identify a high quality image, with suitable permissions in place, and contact thomas.edmonds@learnsheffield.co.uk to arrange for it to be used by us on our website, in our prospectus, etc.

We hope that you all have an excellent, and well deserved, half term break and we look forward to continuing to work with you.

Yours Sincerely



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