



LONG PRESTON ENDOWED VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Lane Long Preston Skipton North Yorkshire BD23 4PN

e-mail: office@longpreston.n-yorks.sch.uk www.longpreston.n-yorks.sch.uk

Tel. 01729 840377

Executive Headteacher: Miss Trudi Ward

A member of The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools* – Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:14)

30th September 2022

Dear Consultee

Long Preston Endowed VA Primary School Consultation on proposal to incorporate Nursery Provision

The governing body of The Ribblesdale Federation is consulting on the option to expand our age range to provide maintained nursery provision at the school. The purpose of this letter is to invite comments on this possibility.

Proposal

The proposed nursery provision will operate between 8.45 and 3.30pm on weekdays (Monday to Friday) during term time. This meets the requirements for free nursery entitlement. The sessions offered by school will mean that parents of 3 year olds will be able to access full day care at school. The maximum number of 3 year olds who would be catered for each session is likely to be ten.

The nursery children will join the Reception Class and Year 1 in our foundation stage unit. There will be free-flow, supervised provision between Robins' class base, Little Wrens' base (in our early years' building) and the outdoor area. School lunches will be available to purchase for children who attend full days.

It is proposed that nursery sessions will start in January 2023. Parents will be able to apply for a nursery place at school and book slots at the start of December. Children will be eligible to attend nursery from the *term after* they turn 3 in line with Government funding. Nursery education is not statutory and parents can choose whether they wish to take up their entitlement of a free place.

Admissions

Admission to nursery would be in accordance with the school's nursery admission policy. Admission to the nursery would not guarantee a place in the reception class as that is governed by Long Preston School's Admissions Policy. The NYCC transport policy does not cover children attending nurseries therefore transport will only be provided for eligible children once they attend school full time in the reception class.

Next steps

This letter marks the beginning of the consultation period to seek the views of interested parties. These views will be considered and, dependent upon the outcome of the consultation, a decision on whether to proceed will be made by the governing body of the school.

The consultation period will commence on Monday 3rd October and run for 4 weeks ending on Monday 31st October 2022.

***The Ribblesdale Federation of Schools** comprises:
Giggleswick and Hellifield Community and Long Preston Endowed (VA) Primary Schools.

Please send your views and responses to:

Miss Trudi Ward
Long Preston Endowed VA School
School Lane
Long Preston
BD23 4PN

or email office@longpreston.n-yorks.sch.uk.

A response form will also be available on the school website.

Yours sincerely



Trudi Ward
Executive Headteacher