

## WESTERN LEARNING FEDERATION

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Dear Families,

It has been a pleasure to welcome our pupils back to school across the Federation for the new academic year. We're delighted with how well they have settled back into their routines and are already engaging with enthusiasm in their learning and enjoying the fun activities.

Over the next few weeks, the school will be in touch to provide updates for the academic year, provision and learning experiences that will be taking place this year. Each school has already shared the calendar of events which will provide key information and lovely events we have planned. These will highlight the many opportunities available to our learners and the steps we are taking to continue building on their successes.

As a Federation, we are now embarking on the second year of our three-year development plan. This year promises to be another important milestone for us all and we will share these plans with you in the coming weeks.

Looking ahead, we're just one year away from the move into the Fairwater Community Campus for Riverbank and Woodlands Schools. This will be an outstanding opportunity for our community, and we are eager to engage with you as we progress through each term towards this exciting transition.

Finally, we have reviewed our mission statement for the Federation and would like to share this with you as part of our **consultation process**, please see below

### Western Learning Federation Mission Statement (Consultation)

*Serving Riverbank, Ty Gwyn & Woodlands Schools*

*"At Riverbank, Ty Gwyn and Woodlands, we are united in purpose as the Western Learning Federation: to nurture the wellbeing, dignity, and full potential of every learner. Across our three unique schools, we provide a safe, inclusive, and empowering environment where each pupil's voice is valued, their individuality celebrated, and their learning deeply personalised. Grounded in the principles of kindness, equity, and lifelong learning, we work collaboratively with families, professionals and our wider community to deliver high-quality teaching and rich, meaningful experiences.*

*Our curriculum is responsive, ambitious, and relevant—designed in line with the Curriculum for Wales and rooted in the belief that learning should inspire confidence, creativity, and connection.*

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*We are guided by the commitment to learner-centred practice with a vision for strong, reflective leadership and pupil wellbeing. We measure success not only through academic progress, but through joy, engagement, relationships, and the quality of life experienced by each child and young person.*

*We believe that personal growth and social change begin from within. We encourage every learner to be proactive, to lead with compassion, to act with integrity, and to live with intention. Through resilience, reflection, and shared purpose, our schools grow as communities of hope—where every child can flourish, every staff member is valued, and every voice shapes the future.”*

Please can all feedback be sent to [westernlearningfederation@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:westernlearningfederation@cardiff.gov.uk)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we look forward to another positive and successful year across the Federation.

Warmest wishes

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