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Dear Headteacher/Principal

The Education white paper and SEND green papers published this week outline plans and opportunities to develop a world class educational system to meet the needs of all our young people. Excellent school staff, supported by first class leaders and structures, providing rich diverse experiences to match the ambitions of each individual and the communities in which they grow. The plan provides opportunities for schools, partner agencies and the council to work together to shape this system.

The Education white paper sets out a vision for a trust led system which includes trusts established by local authorities. At this stage there is still more detail to be added, however we will be engaging directly with the DfE to explore opportunities for setting up local authority trust(s) within Bolton.

The SEND and AP green paper proposes wide ranging changes to all aspects of the system and will inevitably raise a series of questions. We will be engaging with Primary Executive, Bolton Learning Alliance and Bolton Alliance of Special Schools as well as other key local stakeholders to provide a Bolton response to the consultation before the July deadline.

Bolton schools continue to demonstrate their continued commitment to all our young people and supporting each other whenever they can. We need that collaborative thinking and endeavour now, not only to support our feedback into the process but going forward to ensure all young people in Bolton have access to the best opportunities and experience possible. We look forward to continuing to work with you all over the coming weeks and months as further details are released by the DfE.

Yours sincerely

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