



14th December 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

As some of you may already be aware, Walsall SEND Services are currently working with parents, carers, schools and partner services to review their High Needs Funding arrangements for children with additional needs. Attached is a letter from Walsall Council, explaining the consultation process and how you can get involved and have your say on proposed changes to High Needs Funding, to come into effect 1st April 2021.

As part of this consultation process we are inviting you to attend a virtual session for parents/carers of Walsall children with identified special educational needs, including those with an EHCP. The session will be held at **10 – 11am on Thursday 17th December 2020.**

We appreciate that this is a busy time for all, however these changes will impact all at Phoenix so it is important to capture your views if possible. This session will be an opportunity to provide parents and carers with an overview of the proposed changes to High Needs Funding arrangements, explain how this will be implemented in schools and provide a link for parents to complete a survey on the Local Offer website to capture their views. If you are unable to attend the virtual session, a copy of the attached letter from Walsall Council is available on Phoenix Academy website where the hyperlink can be followed to complete the parent/carer survey.

To receive an email invitation to the virtual session please email Kate Bargh, Rushall Primary School at: postbox@oakwood.walsall.sch.uk registering your interest in the above session.

Kind Regards

Miss E. Phillips

Principal