

The Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust

20th December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will no doubt be aware, for some time now we have experienced a less than satisfactory provision for IT across our Trust. Our staff and children have not been able to use IT in school to support, develop or enhance their educational experience. In short, it simply has not been good enough and our IT service not 'fit for purpose'.

However, we are about to embark on a journey towards fixing many of those issues that have hindered us over the past 18 months. We are working with a recognised provider of excellent IT systems across the educational sector, Telford and Wrekin IT Solutions, who are putting things in place so that our children's experience of using IT is as fantastic as the rest of their experience in school.

To train our staff and ensure that the new system is robust and fully functioning, we have taken the decision to change our Professional Development Day scheduled for Friday 28th June 2019 and will now use **Monday 25th February 2019** to make sure everything is working as it should. Your Trust school will therefore be closed to children but open for staff on the Monday following February half term. All Trust schools will now be open as usual on the 28th June. We hope that giving 2 months' notice will allow you to make alternative arrangements and not cause too many problems.

All Trust schools will be open to all children on Tuesday 26th February 2019.

May we take this opportunity to thank you, our staff and children for your patience as we try to resolve this ongoing issue and also to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a peaceful and healthy New Year.

Yours sincerely,



Darren Reynolds,
Executive Headteacher.