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Dear Ms Parmar,

Letter re Consultation on Belmont School Specialist Resourced Provision

I am writing to express the support of Belmont School's governing body for making the school's pilot specialist provision a permanent resource at the school.

Due to changes to the school's context and intake in recent years, there were challenges with how the School should address and make provision for an increasing number of pupils with particular educational needs. Indeed, there was an identified need within the community served by Belmont for a more 'bespoke' facility, capable of providing a special needs hub in a mainstream school setting.

With the support from the Local Authority, Belmont was able to redesign an area within the school to achieve a specialist environment. Through careful recruitment, a small, dedicated, professional team was engaged.

Whilst its work has been interrupted to an extent by the pandemic, the effectiveness of the unit has though been clear with extremely positive results achieved.

The provision of the Stargazers Unit has been an important development to the School's Educational offering as well as addressing a significant local need. It also most importantly enables young pupils to be able to have highly specialised learning whilst at the same time, being able to access normal mainstream school life.

As a governing board, we are extremely pleased with its outcome and look forward to its continued involvement - it has been a success and congratulate all those involved.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Murphy

Tony Murphy,
Chair of Governors