

INSPIRING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to update you as to the progress of Marlfields Primary joining the Children First Learning Partnership (CFLP) Trust.

As you are aware I and a number of the CFLP Central Team have been working with Marlfields since the summer 2024 term to support the school on its journey from 'requires improvement' to 'good'.

Part of that work has been to offer leadership capacity, training for staff, implement new office systems and to recruit new staff, including your Headteacher Mrs C. Sleath. We have also instigated the installation of brand-new interactive whiteboards in all classrooms and are in the process of having a variety of building improvements and repairs completed.

I am pleased to confirm the impact of this work is taking shape and progress is at this point very positive, this includes the highest number of children applying for the reception class in September 2025 for a number of years. I want to take this opportunity to personally thank all of the staff at Marlfields and our Central Team for their work and support during what has been a very busy period of change for the school.

Running alongside our work in the school we have been working with the Department of Education and their Regional Services Team to complete the formal transfer of Marlfields into the Children First Learning Partnership family.

If you would like to find out more about our Trust, its values and member schools please follow this link to our website. https://cflptrust.co.uk/

I am delighted to confirm that I have today received confirmation that Marlfields Primary will be joining the CFLP on Tuesday 1st April 2025.

Beyond the 1st April things at Marlfields carry on as normal. Your school's name remains the same, so does school uniform, Marlfields serves its own community and will continue to develop its own identity and work within the local area. We will continue to support the development of the curriculum, the capacity of school leaders and staff and ensure that pupils here thrive on receiving the very best opportunities to learn and grow as individuals.

I am personally very optimistic and proud to be part of your school and the exciting journey it is on. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely

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