

Q1) Will the quality of teaching be dropped due to resources being overstretched?

A1) The quality of teaching would not be affected and both schools would benefit from greater resources thanks to the opportunity to share resources across both sites. Alongside this we will have greater buying power so we will be able to buy resources at a lower cost.

Q2) Will my child have one teacher throughout the year, or different teachers every other day?

A2) The proposed federation will not have any impact upon the teaching staff. Some classes have two teachers due to job sharing, which has worked successfully for many years.

Q3) Will there be more children in one class, or is there a maximum of one teacher per class?

A3) Class sizes would not be affected by the proposed federation. The maximum number of 30 children per class would not be exceeded at either school.

Q4) What is the proposed plan for the Headteacher to manage between two schools.

A4) The Headteacher would split their time over the two sites as appropriate. Leadership arrangements would be put into place in both schools to ensure efficient management.

New ones:

Q5) Are you likely to take into account feedback such as this one when making your decision?

Upon completion of the consultation period, the two Governing bodies will meet to discuss all of the feedback and to take final votes on whether to proceed with the federation.

Q6) Are the separate budgets for each school guaranteed to be maintained for the future?

Each school would retain its own budget – the level of funding for the two schools would not be affected by the federation.

Q7) Have you looked at similar circumstances for working environments

The two Governing bodies, with support from Kirklees and the Diocese, have looked at several examples of other schools in Kirklees who have federated. All of which have proven to be successful.