

5th November 2019

Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope you are well and that your child has settled back into school well after half-term.

You may recall that earlier this summer I wrote to you to let you know that the Government had issued South Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust, which oversees the school your child attends, with a Financial Notice to Improve (FNtI). I also at the time set out the action plan that we had instigated to address the concerns that the Government had raised, and to improve the financial management of the Trust. This work was led by the Trust's interim Chief Operating Officer Lee Miller.

I am delighted to inform you that the Government wrote to us at the end of last week to tell us that, after close monitoring, the FNtI has been lifted because it is satisfied with the progress we have made and the work done against the aims of the action plan.

This is a very significant moment for the Trust and its schools – it demonstrates that our Trust is in a solid financial position and that we are trusted by the Government to run our finances responsibly and well.

I would like to put on record my thanks to all those who have contributed to this achievement, not least the Board for overseeing these changes.

A copy of the letter confirming the lifting of the FNtI can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-notice-to-improve-south-dartmoor-academy-trust>.

Yours sincerely,

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