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Dear Parents and Carers,

The consultation period has now ended. Thank you to all the parents and carers who have taken the time to attend meetings, read the consultation documents and research Arbor Academy. We recognise how passionately you all feel about the future of the school and your children's education, and have really valued your input into this process.

For the parent survey there was a 38% response rate, which is much higher than most consultations of this nature. There was a 50/50 split between yes and no, with each result representing 18% of available votes. An equal number of yes / no votes is unusual in stakeholder surveys of this nature and in the majority of cases the no vote far surpasses yes.

For the teacher survey there was a much higher response rate of 92%. Of the 92%, 45% voted yes, 27% voted no while 8% voted maybe and 9% don't know. There was a separate support staff survey showing a similar response to the parent survey - an overall response rate of 47% with a 50/50 split between yes and no, each with 13% of available votes.

Governors will make their final decision next week and will carefully weigh up all the information, including the analysis of the stakeholder surveys - both the Yes/No votes and the written comments. These will all be reviewed, collated and analysed and will feed into a key report that governors will use to inform their decision making next Monday.

This consultation is part of the Governors' ongoing two year consideration of the future of Woodford Green Primary School. You can be sure, therefore, that this is not a decision that Governors will take lightly. All the available evidence will be taken into account to ensure the best decision is made for the future of our school. As you also know, this was not a referendum or a binding vote, but a sample of key stakeholders' opinion to inform the decision of the Governing Board.

All the documents from the multiple consultations are available on the school website on the consultation section of the parent's page. This includes additional questions raised by parents at last week's locally organised meeting, attended by one of our Governors.

Please be assured that Governors continue to act in the best interests of the school and all the children at Woodford Green Primary School.

Yours Faithfully

Candice Dwight  
Chair of Governors

