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## Dear Chair of Governors,

We acknowledge receipt of your letter on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2016 formally asking Ysgol Parc y Llan to permanently federate with Ysgol Llanfynydd. We also thank you for your kind words, recognising the work and commitment by Mr Ashford and the support Ysgol Parc y Llan have provided to your school.

We appreciate Ysgol Llanfynydd has and is continuing to go through a period of uncertainty with regards to its future in light of the Flintshire School Modernisation Programme.

We are very proud of Ysgol Parc y Llan's achievements and successes, highlighted in our ESTYN Inspection in 2015, GWE visit feedback and also Flintshire County Council request for us to assist in supporting Ysgol Llanfynydd. Ysgol Parc y Llan works extremely well as a team and this is driven primarily through having a strong leadership team, which is lead by our Headteacher, Mr Ashford.

I am pleased that our school has been a sympathetic friend to Ysgol Llanfynydd and that we have played an active supporting role during the consultation period.

We as a Governing Body appreciate that there could be further changes regarding schools in our area in the coming years which may be difficult for us as a Governing Body, but we need to put the needs of Ysgol Parc y Llan first, and the desire to provide a first class education for our children.

The full Governing Body met on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February to give the proposal full consideration and review the impact of the proposal on the Headteacher, staff, parents and pupils. Considerable discussions between Governing Body Members regarding the possibility of a federation with Ysgol Llanfynydd took place followed by a vote. The decision was not favourable, and so I regret to inform you that Ysgol Parc y Llan would not be willing to enter a federation with Ysgol Llanfynydd.

Ysgol Parc y Llan Governing Body was committed to help Ysgol Llanfynydd during the consultation period, and will continue to provide support until the end of July 2016. I believe we have played a very supportive role to ease the concerns of Ysgol Llanfynydd's parents and staff.

I appreciate that this is not the response that you would have wished for but we have to do what is the best for Ysgol Parc y Llan at this time.

Kind Regards, Natalie Jones

Chair of Governors - Ysgol Parc y Llan