Enclosure to Cabinet report 18 September 2008 Future Organisation of Belmont First School and Belmont Middle School

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## **Ref: Belmont Middle School**

Dear Mr Clark,

## Re: Recommendation for Amalgamation

I am writing to inform you that at the Governing Body meeting on 01-Jul-2008, the Governors of Belmont Middle School decided to recommend amalgamation of the two schools in September 2009. This was also the decision from Belmont First School, though they will write to you separately.

The reason for this was that the Governors felt the timing was right for the schools to combine and was in the best interest of the children, staff and all other stakeholders. All stakeholders were included in the consultation exercise and were generally favourable to the idea. The difficulty in recruiting a head teacher for the First School was the trigger in considering amalgamation.

I understand that the next steps are to make formal representation to Cabinet ahead of their meeting in September and trust you will do this on our behalf.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Khalid Rafiq Chair of Governors.