

25 April 2023

### Pershore Review Update

Dear Parents and Carers

Just before Easter we received this update from Sarah Wilkins Director of Education, Early Years and Children with Disabilities. She writes:

***As you are aware, we have been working with DfE colleagues to agree a way forward to support a consistent approach to changes of age range that have taken place or are proposed to take place across the Pershore Education Planning Area. In December 2022, following confirmation by the LA of several conditions set by the DfE, a business case to expand the Rebuilding Programme for Pershore High School to include the additional Year 7 places at Pershore High School was submitted by the Rebuilding Programme Section of the DfE to HM Treasury. At this point we are still awaiting a decision from HM Treasury.***

***Until we receive this decision, next steps have to remain paused, and this means that the proposed changes are now unlikely to be fully implemented before September 2026. We understand the impact that this will have on individual schools, and we are committed to working with you to revise plans as necessary and ensure the best outcomes for your pupils and staff. We are in regular contact with the DfE, who are providing all information needed for HM Treasury to make this decision.***

This process has been a lengthy one and as a Governing Body we remain disappointed there is still no real progress to share with you all.

As always, we will keep you up-to-date with any further announcements

Yours sincerely



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Head Teacher



Mrs S Johnston  
Chair of Governors