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Dear colleagues,

I hope that you have had a good start to the spring term.

I am delighted that 2018 marks the launch of the Ealing Learning Partnership and that 95% of all Ealing schools have chosen to work alongside the council and to address key priorities in learning, achievement and inclusion.

The new interim Ealing Learning Partnership Board has been working hard to engage schools in shaping new models of working and I want to congratulate members for their achievements to date. The aims of the Ealing Learning Partnership are very clear. Working together, we want to support every pupil to achieve the best possible outcomes and ensure that we have high quality pathways to adulthood. We want to attract, develop and retain the very best education leaders and practitioners through creating the very best collaborative learning opportunities. We want to ensure that collective resources are well spent so that our model is resilient to the changing financial environment.

I want to congratulate you all on your achievements – the partnership has a great deal to celebrate. I am delighted to see that we now have more outstanding primary schools, that key stage 2 performance is strong and that reading outcomes have improved. I am delighted that we have so many young people achieving the new strong pass 5+ in English and mathematics and that so many are successful in the EBacc. Our outcomes in academic programmes post 16 are also outstanding. I am pleased that we are doing so well for pupils of all backgrounds and I am keen to see the Ealing Learning Partnership make even greater impact in improving the progress and achievements of pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds.

The Ealing Learning Partnership has set itself ambitious goals to reduce school to school variation and create strong mechanisms for schools to learn from each other. We expect that every school will take on board the educational challenges of the partnership, engaging in every opportunity for collaborative learning so that we enable you to share narratives of improvement and success.

Once again, my thanks and appreciation to all of you for your hard work, dedication and commitment. You should be extremely proud of the work you do on behalf of children and young people in Ealing. I look forward to continuing to work with you in 2018.

Yours faithfully

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