



Camden and Greenshaw - a local partnership

Background

A consultation is underway into the future of Camden Junior School in Carshalton.

Camden Junior School was inspected by Ofsted last year and placed in 'special measures'. Because they felt that the school was not making the necessary progress, the The Department for Education (DfE) decided that it would have to become a sponsored academy and that their preferred sponsor was the Harris Federation.

Victor Seymour / Camden governors, the local authority, our local MP, the Partnership of Sutton Secondary Schools and Greenshaw's Governing Body all agreed that it would be better for Camden to be sponsored by a local school, and that the school best placed to do that is Greenshaw.

Therefore, Greenshaw has put itself forward as sponsor for Camden Junior School.

Why Greenshaw?

- Camden needs help - Greenshaw can help and wants to help.
- Greenshaw is a local school, near to Camden Juniors, run by local people that will keep Camden school embedded in the local educational community.
- Greenshaw is a popular and well regarded by parents and the community; where students are happy and proud of their school.
- Greenshaw is a successful school with a strong track record of achievement and improvement; it was judged 'Outstanding' for Leadership and Behaviour & Safety by Ofsted in 2012.
- Greenshaw has the capacity and capability to enable Camden to improve; it is well run with sound finances and a strong and broad contingent of teaching and support staff.
- Greenshaw has its own specialist and primary trained staff that can support Camden; and has a record of helping to improve primary schools.
- Greenshaw brings with it the support of its partners and networks, and the experience and capacity of The Avenue – an 'outstanding' local primary school.
- Greenshaw has been approved by the DfE as an academy sponsor.

What can be done?

A consultation is taking place before the Education minister Lord Nash takes a decision on the future of Camden Junior School. You can have your say by completing a consultation form – available at Camden School – or writing to Lord Nash at the DfE before 19 July to say that you want Greenshaw to be the sponsor of Camden Junior School.

For more information, see www.greenshaw.co.uk.