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Dear Parent/Carer

As we embark on 2024, I'd like to take the opportunity to highlight the evolution and development of our Hub Advisory Board roles. As you may be aware, in January 2023 our revised model of local governance was launched, whereby local governing boards were replaced with Hub Advisory Boards (HABs). Each HAB represents between 6-8 schools across primary and secondary phase and has the opportunity to feed the voice of the community directly to the Chair of Trustees and CEO. Although initially purely advisory, the role of the HAB has now evolved to ensure a greater input for community voice on key issues that impact students, such as attendance, behaviour, and SEND. Each HAB meets on a formal basis three time a year. HAB members are also involved in key strategic visits throughout the year, supporting and triangulating the work of the school improvement team.

Given the strengthened role of our HABs, we are now seeking new members to join our growing and developing HABs, and would warmly welcome expressions of interest to clerk@westst.org.uk

The structure of each HAB is given below with the name of the HAB Chair. Please look out for communication from HAB chairs via your child's school.

	HAB 1	HAB 2	HAB 3	HAB 4
Schools	 Ashburton Primary School Buckfastleigh Primary School South Dartmoor Community College Stowford Primary School Woodlands Park Primary School Yealmpton Primary School 	 Callington Community College Ermington Primary School Holbeton Primary School Ivybridge Community College Manor Primary School Ugborough Primary School 	 Coombe Dean School Morley Meadow Primary School Oreston Community Academy Plymstock School Sherford Vale School Wembury Primary School 	 Austin Farm Academy Boringdon Primary School Chaddlewood Primary School Eggbuckland Community College Glen Park Primary School Hele's School Plympton St Maurice Primary School Woodford Primary School
Chair	Dominic Course	Esther Gerlach	Jacqueline Spencer	Rob Frankow

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the HAB chairs and the current HAB members for their dedication to trust governance over the last year and for supporting and driving the development of our HAB model.

Best wishes

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