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Dear colleagues

I hope you have all enjoyed a restful Easter break.

I am pleased to inform you that the quality assurance process of high needs funding for mainstream schools is almost complete. Bandings and funding allocations will be confirmed very shortly. Please bear with us whilst the final logistical tasks are completed with our business support and finance teams. I can assure you we continue to work with pace and the necessary sense of urgency.

We continue to respect and acknowledge the frustration for school leaders in recent weeks and months whilst we have been undertaking this process. Indeed, it is for this reason that I remain committed to seeing the process through and working with colleagues in schools to ensure systems work more efficiently and effectively going forward. The process we have been undertaking has highlighted some areas where we need to review and revise. It has identified areas which need to be streamlined, so that we have a system which is easier to navigate and one which is more accurate and timely in supporting our most vulnerable children.

This has been a significant task. I am immensely grateful to all the colleagues and professionals in schools who have supported us over the last few weeks, either as part of the QA panel or as an observer. They have brought considerable knowledge and valuable expertise to the table. It has been a privilege to work with all.

Please see further information within this edition of Suffolk Headlines regarding new submissions for the spring/summer terms 2019.

Our renewed thanks for your support and understanding.

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