

Appendix B – Q&As Pupils:

Pupil Questions and Comments from being informed about the consultation – 2nd March 2021

IT'S GOING TO BE REALLY NICE AS I WILL HAVE MORE FRIENDS

Yes, there would be more people to be friends with

WHAT WOULD THE NEW SCHOOL LOGO BE?

We are not sure yet. When we know if this will definitely happen then we can start to decide what the logo would be like then.

WHY ARE WE JOINING TOGETHER?

We are not definitely joining together – at the moment we are just discussing it as an idea. Both our school and Wormegay school are very small and sometimes it is much easier and better to have more people, more friends, more books and resources and more money as one bigger school. But at the moment we don't know it is definite – we are just talking about how we feel so that a decision can be made.

I DON'T REALLY WANT IT TO HAPPEN

We all have mixed feelings; the unknown can make us a bit shaky.

WOULD WE HAVE A BLUE OR GREEN UNIFORM?

At this stage I don't know what the plans would be for uniform as we don't know if it will happen yet or not.

IF THEY DO COME OVER WHAT WOULD BE THE DESIGN FOR THE UNIFORM?

We don't know yet as it has not definitely been decided

I'D LIKE GREEN AND BLUE IF THEY DO....

Perhaps we will be able to put in our own designs if it happens...

HOW DO WORMEGAY FEEL ABOUT IT?

Wormegay classes are having the same discussion with their teacher as we are and they will get to ask their questions and talk about how they are feeling with their teachers. I don't know how the children at Wormegay are feeling until we have finished all the meetings and heard everything that you all have to say.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN ABOUT OUR COVID SPACING IN THE CLASSROOM?

If the merge happens that won't be until September, so I hope by then we won't need to worry as much about the COVID spacing because the virus will be under better control and people will hopefully have been vaccinated by then too. Remember as well we are not sure that this will definitely happen – but if it does then instead of 2 classes there will be 3 classes so when we split all the children into 3 classrooms your class sizes wouldn't be much more than they are now so if we needed to space out then we still can just the same.

WILL WORMEGAY OR RUNCTON HOLNME TEACHERS BE TEACHING US?

We will know more about the teachers and the staff when we know whether the schools will be joining or not. As soon as we know anything, we will make sure we tell you.

WHAT WILL THE CLASSES BE LIKE? 1&2, 3&4, 5&6?

We won't know exactly the details of teachers and classes until we know for sure that the schools will be joining together.

*WHAT ABOUT WHEN *** GETS IN A STROP, WHAT WILL HAPPEN?*

Behaviour will be dealt with exactly the same as it is now.

WHERE WOULD THE NEW CLASSROOM BE?

It is too early to say where the classroom would be as we don't know for certain that the schools will be joining, that decision hasn't been made yet – but once we know more we will let you know and we can then start to plan the details if we need to.

WHEN WOULD THIS HAPPEN IF IT DOES HAPPEN?

It would happen from September 2021.

WILL WE HAVE EVERYONE IN THE PLAYGROUND AT PLAY TIMES?

It is not easy to answer that because until we know if this is definitely going to happen, we can't plan all the details. Once we know for definite then we can talk about what the new school will be like – or how we will be going forward with Runcton Holme school.

HOW MUCH TIME WOULD WE HAVE FOR BREAK AND LUNCH?

This would most likely stay the same.

WHAT WOULD LUNCHTIMES BE LIKE?

Once we know for definite if this will happen or not, we can think about planning for how things will look.

WILL THE ROUTINE FOR THE DAY CHANGE?

It is unlikely the routine will change much whether we join the two schools, or we stay as 2 small school – the routine of the day never really changes too much as we have to fit in lessons in the morning before lunch – and then lessons in the afternoon before home time.

WHY DO THE SCHOOLS HAVE TO CHANGE NAMES?

We are creating a brand new school community – that's why we would change its name

ARE PE AND LUNCHTIMES GOING TO BE AT THE SAME TIME AND WILL WORMEGAY HAVE THEIR PE AND LUNCHTIMES AT THE SAME TIME?

There would be 3 classes – a mix of Wormegay and Runcton Holme in each class – you would do PE and English with the children in your year groups. Lunchtime would need to be sorted out and timings if we join together but the decisions haven't been made yet.

I DON'T WANT THE SCHOOL TO BE SHUT DOWN AS A LOTS OF KIDS WANT TO GO THERE IN THE FUTURE AND THEY WON'T HAVE THE CHANCE. AND I ALSO LOVE IT THERE. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO RUNCTON BECAUSE I LOVE IT AT MY SCHOOL THAT I GO TO NOW AS IT'S THE SECOND SCHOOL I EVER WENT TO.

I WANT TO STAY AT WORMEGAY.

I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK TO RUNCTON.

I DON'T KNOW HOW I FEEL YET. (CHILD'S MUM EMAILED LATER WITH CHILD'S COMMENTS) I DON'T WANT TO GO TO RUNCTON BECAUSE I DON'T LIKE IT, I'D LIKE TO STAY WHERE I AM WITH MRS X AND MRS X.

Written responses:

WE WANT TO HEAR ALL YOUR VIEWS AND WE WILL PASS THEM ONTO THE TRUST:

I WILL NOT BE HERE IN SEPTEMBER TO EXPERIENCE THE CHANGES IF THEY DO HAPPEN. BUT IF I WAS IN A YOUNGER YEAR, I WOULD NOT GO TO RUNCTON BECAUSE I WOULD FEEL LIKE THEY HAVEN'T REALLY GIVEN THE CHILDREN A CHOICE. I WISH DEMAT DIDN'T MAKE THIS DECISION.

I FEEL SAD.

WILL MRS X AND MRS X BE THERE?

I FEEL FINE BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN TO RUNCTON BEFORE.

WHAT CAN WE DO AS CHILDREN TO STOP DEMAT DOING THIS? I'VE ASKED A QUESTION ON EMAIL AND DEMAT WON'T ANSWER. I WANT TO STAY AT WORMEGAY FOREVER, CAN THEY MAKE WORMEGAY A HIGH SCHOOL. IF YOU SHUT IT IT WILL BREAK MY HEART. WHY IS DEMAT BEING SO HORRIBLE TO US? WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO OUR TEACHERS? I'M TO SAD 😞 I LIKE WALKING TO SCHOOL. I HATE DEMAT TO CORSEING SO MUCH PAIN. THEY ARE NOT NICE PEOPLE.

I DID GROW UP AT WORMEGAY AND I WOULD LIKE TO STAY AT WORMEGAY BECAUSE THAT'S IS MY CHILD HOOD. I WOULD LIKE TO STAY BECAUSE IT'S SUCH A FRIENDLY SCHOOL.

I HOPE WORMEGAY DOESN'T CLOSE. WORMEGAY IS MY FAVOURITE SCHOOL. I DON'T WANT IT TO CLOSE BECAUSE THE TEACHERS ARE THE BEST. IM FEEL SAD.

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO DO THIS? I WANTED TO WORK AT WORMEGAY. I WANTED TO SEND MY KIDS TO WORMEGAY. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE DON'T CLOSE THE SCHOOL DOWN.

I DON'T THINK IT'S A VERY FAIR IDEA TO THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST STARTED SETTLING IN TO THE SCHOOL AND I DON'T THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD IDEA.

I FEEL VERY SAD AND ANGRY. I WANT WORMEGAY TO STAY. I WON'T GO TO RUNCTON. WHY CAN'T YOU BE KIND AND LET US STAY WHERE WE ARE?

IT'S OK AND IT'S FINE, BUT I'VE ONLY JUST STARTED AT WORMEGAY.

IF WE DO JOIN SCHOOLS, WHEN WILL WE JOIN THEM?

WILL I HAVE A NEW TEACHER?

I FEEL VERY ANGRY AND VERY SAD.

I WON'T GO TO RUNCTON BECAUSE I REALLY DON'T LIKE RUNCTON AND WORMEGAY IS THE SCHOOL I REALLY LIKE ALOT OF US LOVE WORMEGAY LIKE ME AND IF YHOU SHUT WORMEGAY DOWN THINK ABOUT THE CHILDREN AND OTHER PEOPLE WHO WANT TO GO TO WORMEGAY. I'M GOING TO MAKE THE MOST OF MY LAST MONTHS AT WORMEGAY. DO YOU THINK IT WILL HAPPEN? I HOPE IT DOESN'T. I'LL DO ANYTHING TO KEEP IT OPEN EVEN THOUGH I WON'T BE THERE. IT'S JUST SO NOT FAIR. DOES DEMAT CARE ABOUT OUR FEELINGS?

IT'S THE BEST SCHOOL EVER.

I REALLY DON'T FIND THIS SITUATION FAIR! IT MUSTN'T HAPPEN. I THINK RUNCTON SHOULD CLOSE DOWN TOO IF WORMEGAY DOES BECAUSE THEY ARE BASICALLY THE SAME SIZE.

I WANT TO FINISH AS WORMEGAY. I WOULD LIKE X TO GO TO WORMEGAY.

I HAVE BEEN AT WORMEGAY FOR 7 YEARS AND I WOULD LIKE TO FINISH AT WORMEGAY.

I HAVE MET NEARLY EVERYONE I LIKE AT WORMEGAY. I WOULD STILL LEAVE IF THIS NEVER HAPPENED BUT STILL, I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE THE SCHOOL KNOWING THAT WORMEGAY WON'T BE A SCHOOL ANYMORE.

DEMAT SHOULD THINK ABOUT THE PUPILS.

I FEEL SAD BECAUSE IT IS A GREAT SCHOOL AND I MET SO MANY COOL PEOPLE LIKE X.

WHEN I AM OLDER I WILL MAKE WORMEGAY A SCHOOL AGAIN. IF YOU CLOSE THE SCHOOL DOWN I WILL CRY THE REST OF MY LIFE EVEN IN HEAVEN.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO MRS X?

I WON'T JOIN RUNCTON.

I JUST DON'T LIKE IT. WHY NOW IN COVID?

GOING PAST THE SCHOOL WHEN I'M AT HIGH SCHOOL ON THE BUSS AND SEEING NO CARS OR PEOPLE WILL BREAK ME.

MOST FRIENDS WILL BE SPLIT UP BECAUSE MOST CHILDREN WOULD RATHER GO TO A DIFFERENT SCHOOL THEN GO TO RUNCTON AND SOME TEACHERS MAY LOSE THEIR JOBS!

I AGREE WITH X I MIGHT CRY IF I SEE NO CARS AT WORMEGAY ON MY WAY TO HIGH SCHOOL IT'S JUST NOT FAIR ON THE CHILDREN ESPECIALLY THE YOUNGER ONES. 😞

SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO DO THINGS YOU DON'T WANT TO DO.

IF IT CLOSES I WON'T LEAVE. I DON'T TRUST DEMAT.

I NEED TO STAY AT WORMEGAY TO FINISH THERE AND SO X CAN START AND BE GOOD.

I'M REALLY HAPPY AT WORMEGAY.



I'D RATHER LEAVE SCHOOL KNOWING THAT WORMEGAY WOULD BE A WORKING SCHOOL.

I WILL NEVER FORGET THAT DAY.

IF IT CLOSES I WON'T LET X GO TO SCHOOL. I WILL HOME SCHOOL.

X AND X WILL MOVE SCHOOL IF WORMEGAY SHUTS 😞 I DON'T WANT THAT NEITHER DO THEY! PEOPLE KEEP SAYING THAT WE WILL LIKE TO GO TO RUNCTON BUT I KNOW THAT X AND X DON'T SO THEY ARE LOOKING TO MOVE TO A DIFFERENT SCHOOL WHICH ISN'T FAIR ON THEM. DEMAT MUST NOT DO THIS! THEY ARE BEING SO MEAN.

WHEN I LEAVE SCHOOL I WANT TO LEAVE KNOWING THAT THE YOUNGER ONES WILL BE HAPPY.

I WILL LEVE SCHOOL IF WORMEGAY CLOSES.

I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE HOW HORRIBLE DEMAT ARE BEING.

CAN WE LOOSE DEMAT AND RUN IT OUR SELFS? IF NO ONE GOES TO RUNCTON WILL THEY STILL CLOSE WORMEGAY?

I FEEL SAD AND I HAVE BEEN AT WORMEGAY FOR FOUR YEARS AND IF I WAS YOUNGER I WOULD WANT TO STAY THERE. THE YOUNGER ONES WILL BE SO SAD. I DON'T WANT IT TO SHUT BECAUSE I HAVE MADE SO MANY MEMORISE.

THAT'S WHERE I MET X. I LIKE WORMEGAY BETTER.

I WANT TO STAY AT WORMEGAY WITH MY FRIENDS.

I WOULD LIKE TO STA AT WERMEGY BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN THERE FOR EVERY SCHOOL YEAR. I HATE DEMAT.