

BEDFORD INCLUSIVE LEARNING & TRAINING TRUST

Two of Bedford's highly regarded specialist education provisions have come together this term to create the Bedford Inclusive Learning and Training Trust. St. John's Special School and College and Greys Education Centre, (Bedford's Alternative Provision Academy), will remain as separate entities for Government inspections but are now part of one legal framework with a single Trust Board.

This is a first for Bedford and Executive Principal Terry Ashmore is keen to ensure that both school communities of family,



staff and pupils will shape the journey ahead. Terry commented "We want to make specialist provision in Bedford the very best it can be and this means aiming to be world class. Our vision is to create a 'Beacon of Excellence' with regard to specialist provision and training that is recognised locally and nationally: we are striving to ensure that



our pupils and families get what they deserve – the very best!"

Both schools provide education for students with complex and varied cognitive and physical lifetime challenges as well as those whose life experiences mean they are unable to access mainstream school provision for a period of time. Greys Education Centre also provides Bedford Hospital's classroom services where students may only need support for a few days as they recover. Both schools

share the mission of ensuring all students are able to access their best possible life-chances.

Parents and families offer tremendous support to the Trust and will continue to be the cornerstone of its success. Both schools will also continue to work with numerous community based and national organisations across health, social services and a variety of charities.

If you or your organisation can support the new Trust and its fundraising charity in any way please contact Executive Principal - Terry Ashmore by email: terry.ashmore@greys.beds.sch.uk

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