

## Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP Minister of State for School Standards

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Dear Mr Masterson,

Thank you for your application expressing an interest in the English Hubs programme. I am pleased to be able to invite your school to become an English Hub school.

In December, the Department for Education announced our commitment to establishing a national network of hubs to improve the teaching of early language and literacy in schools.

We invited only those schools with an excellent track record in phonics teaching to consider establishing an English Hub and were grateful that you did so.

I would like to thank you for the excellent work that you did in submitting a very high quality Expression of Interest.

Lead schools will have a vital role in the success of the hubs and will provide leadership for their hub. The Literacy Specialists that you engage and deploy will share their knowledge and expertise with other schools and teachers to improve the teaching of reading.

I would like to thank you once again for your commitment to the English Hubs programme and look forward to seeing the impact that your involvement has on improving the teaching of reading.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP