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Dear parent/carer

As part of our desire to make the 3 schools of the Seaton Valley Federation the very best that they can be, and so that we offer your children the opportunities to be the very best that **they** can be, we are always looking at ways of helping and supporting our young people.

Therefore since September we have been working on our LINC and BEAM initiatives as a staff group. Now that we have got these two initiatives in place we are sharing them with you and then with our young people.

LINC is our plan to make sure every young person in the SVF leaves us as someone who is Literate, Independent, Numerate and Culturally aware. The young people will be LINC. In order to do this, staff will in every lesson do something that develops your child's literacy, independence, numeracy and cultural awareness. They will often tell them that they are doing this so it is very clear how LINC is being put into action.

We believe strongly that the young people who attend the SVF deserve the best chances in their lives and by having these LINC areas developed then this will happen. You can support us by discussing with your children what they did in school and asking them about the things that they did which developed the LINC areas. Even better, you can look at using the LINC areas at home as well. If you are able to do this you can reinforce how important the areas of Literacy, Independence, Numeracy and Cultural awareness are.

Alongside developing their LINC we are aware that our pupils sometimes need help and support. With this in mind we are launching our BEAM strategy. In this strategy we will in the SVF support our pupils with their Behaviour, Emotions, Achievement and Mental Health. Everything that we do will help our young people with their BEAM. Again you can help us by discussing these areas with your children and if you think that your child is struggling in one of the BEAM areas please do let us know so that we can look at helping them.

Both BEAM and LINC are going to be mentioned a lot from January onwards so please ask your children about them and engage them in chats about both areas. As a federation we really do believe that our young people need to be supported with their BEAM and have their LINC developed so that they have the very best chances when they are older.

As always thank you for all of your support and help.

Yours sincerely

John Barnes
Executive Headteacher