

## Pheasey Park Farm Primary School and Early Years Centre

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**PHEASEY PARK FARM**  
Primary School &  
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Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Microsoft Showcase Status

I am delighted to inform you that Pheasey Park Farm Primary School has just been awarded Microsoft Showcase School status. This is a tremendous accolade for our school and is a testament to all of the hard work of our children, staff, parents and governors over many years.

Microsoft Showcase Schools are a very small number of settings which form a **global community of schools engaged in digital transformation to improve teaching and learning**. Showcase Schools create immersive and inclusive experiences that inspire lifelong learning, stimulating development of essential life skills so pupils are empowered to achieve more.

As you are aware, we have been on our journey of transformation here at Pheasey for many years and the impact of this work is clearly evident in our children's outcomes, behaviour and levels of attendance. Due to this huge success Microsoft have organised a visit to our school on **Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September** to see first hand the work that our children and staff are doing. Additionally, Microsoft would like to make a film to demonstrate the **successful journey at Pheasey** and so will also be **filming some of the children at work in classes 4LB and 5LE**. A Microsoft Form will be send to parents of children in these classes for consent purposes. Microsoft will also be interviewing teachers and leaders. The focus of this will be on the children's use of the Microsoft Surface Go 2 devices which are currently being used on a one to one basis.

Many parents have also asked us about the possibility of a Parent Purchase Scheme for pupil devices and this is something that we are now looking into, because, alongside the many benefits of children having access to a one to one device this initiative will also promote secondary readiness and lifelong learning skills.

We will also be running another parents workshop regarding how to support your child with using Microsoft OneNote which will be a key piece of software your child will use to support their learning over the course of this year.

We thank you as always for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Eveson  
EdTech Leader

