

TO DERBYSHIRE HEAD TEACHERS

Dear Colleague

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Head Teachers for accommodating UNISON in the recent school visits, allowing our organisers to consult with members during their working day, on the imminent implementation of Single Status.

From 1 November, school support staff will receive their new offer letters. It is at this point that these staff will know the details on how they have been effected under the Single Status exercise – whether they have lost or gained in their salary and how their contracted hours and weeks may have changed.

UNISON's team of negotiators have worked hard to agree a package with Derbyshire County Council that should provide the tools for all schools to ensure that their support staff do not lose money as a result of this exercise.

I would like UNISON to work with yourself and your governing body to help apply the package and to ensure that this is the case.

I know that you already value the commitment and dedication of your staff and will recognise the amount of goodwill that is given by individuals to benefit school and support the education of pupils across the county, and therefore I expect that you too are also wanting a positive outcome for all of your support staff.

There will undoubtedly be some months of difficulty and insecurity ahead. If there is anything that myself or any of my UNISON colleagues can do to help then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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