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The Members and Trustees of The Education Fellowship Trust The Old Dairy Grange Road Islip Near Kettering Northamptonshire NN14 4JB

30 September 2016

Dear Rachel

Termination Warning Notice to the Members and Trustees of The Education Fellowship Trust in respect of Blackthorn Primary School

In accordance with section 2A of the Academies Act 2010^{i} any funding agreement of an academy may be terminated by the Secretary of State where special measures are required to be taken by the academy or the academy requires significant improvement and the Chief Inspector of Ofsted has given notice of that under section 13(3)(a) of the Education Act 2005.

I received an Ofsted notification dated 31 August 2016 confirming that Blackthorn Primary School was judged to be inadequate and requires special measures.

In making the decision on whether to terminate the funding agreement I will consider any written representations you wish to make. We have also arranged a diagnostic Education Advisor visit to the academy for 19 October 2016.

Please provide me with any representations you have by Friday 21 October.

I am copying this letter to the National Schools Commissioner; Lesley Hagger, Northamptonshire County Council; and Damian McGrath, Department for Education.

Yours sincerely

Martin Post Regional Schools Commissioner for North West London and South Central

ⁱ Inserted by section 14 of the Education and Adoption Act 2016