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OUR CHANGING SCHOOLS - A HANDBOOK FOR PARENTS

I thought you would like to know that I will be writing tomorrow to headteachers of all maintained schools in England enclosing copies of a booklet for parents.

"Our Changing Schools - A Handbook for Parents", sets out ways in which parents can help their child at school and how they can contribute positively to the work of the school. I believe this will be a valuable contribution to our overall aim of encouraging responsible citizenship. The booklet looks at ten important issues ranging from 'how to choose a school' to 'how to help your school run smoothly'.

It identifies questions for parents to ask as well as available information and new developments. I enclose two copies of the booklet.

The booklet will also be available in public libraries, through playgroups and day nurseries, and will be on display in many supermarkets.

This minute goes to each member of the Cabinet and to Sir Robin Butler.

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