



THE HOLLINS



West End Primary School



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5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parent/carer

## RE A Joint School Statement

We are excited to announce that the following Hyndburn schools have been working in close partnership with a view to forming a new Multi-Academy Trust (MAT).

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Huncoat Primary School

Rhyddings Business and Enterprise School

Our joint vision is to provide local nursery to age 16 continuity of education, building on the strong links that exist between the schools. We believe as a group we can create a trust that is stronger than its individual parts and creating our MAT better allows us to achieve this aim.

Our two secondary schools are currently the only Hyndburn high schools who have not yet converted to academy status or are part of a diocese. By joining together with primary schools this will further strengthen the alliance and continuity of education within our locality.

The Governing Bodies and Headteachers of each school have submitted a joint application to form a new multi-academy trust with a view to converting on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021, should the Secretary of State grant approval. The formation of the trust will mean continuity for pupils, parents and staff of each school but also provide the prospect of greater opportunity for all stakeholders across the MAT.

There will be a full and formal consultation with all stakeholders in due course, should the application progress. Only when this stage is reached will we be in a position to answer more fully Frequently Asked Questions and share more detailed information about the proposals of our MAT.

Through our shared vision, community links, collaboration of resource and expertise that currently exists, we firmly believe we can provide educational excellence for the young people of Hyndburn.

Yours sincerely

On behalf of the joint Headteachers and Governing Bodies



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