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### CONSULTATION ON PROPOSAL TO CONVERT THE SCHOOL TO ACADEMY STATUS AND JOIN THE EKO TRUST

Dear parent or carer,

The Governing Body has been considering carefully the future strategy for our school given Government education and school policy and the need to sustain and improve school performance and pupil outcomes in an increasingly challenging educational landscape.

After detailed investigation the Governing Body is proposing that the school convert to academy status and join a proven, successful multi academy trust, the Eko Trust.

The Governing Body is consulting with parents, carers, staff and the wider school community on this proposal so that we understand your views. The consultation will run from Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> until Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Attached is a consultation document explaining the proposal in more detail.

As part of the consultation we would like to invite parents and carers to attend one of two virtual meetings at 2pm and 6.00pm on Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> via video conferencing. The Headteacher, school governors, and Trust representatives will make a brief presentation before giving parents and carers the chance to ask questions about what the proposal will mean for the school.

After the consultation meetings the Governing Body will conduct a survey of parents, carer and staff to understand your views on the proposal.

The Governing Body will then consider a report on the outcome of consultation before making a final decision in November 2020 on whether to proceed with the proposal to convert to academy status and join the Eko Trust.

Yours sincerely,

*Mr Alex Davison*

Chair of Governors