

Dear Parents and Carers,

CONSULTATION TO CONVERT TO ACADEMY STATUS - EVENT

The consultation event for all federation parents and carers will be held virtually at 6pm on Thursday 3rd February, 2022. We are disappointed that we will not be able to hold the event in person, due to the repeated cases of Covid-19 in our schools, however, we hope that as it is a virtual event many of you will be able to join us. Everyone should have received an email invite, however, if you have not received your email invite to the meeting, please contact your school office as soon as possible.

We are expecting Richard Cranmer, CEO of St Benet's, Sam Nixon, Director of School Improvement, and Jo Leach, their HR Manager to attend the event.

Thank you to those of you who have shared questions with me to ask them. I put their answers together and have already shared these with you; please see the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on our website if you missed them.

If you have feedback for us after the event, please do email it to me by Tuesday 8th February, via the school offices.

As governors, we must provide strategic leadership, robust accountability, oversight and assurance for educational and financial performance. For us as the governors of this federation, it always comes back to what is best for our children both now and in the long term. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction is a vital part of our role and we will be discussing the next stage of our strategic direction at our Full Governor Board meeting on 10th February. We would like to be able to include your views in our discussions, as well as those of our federation staff. Mr Richards, our new Executive Headteacher will be taking part in our meeting.

Thank you for your patience and your support this half term. Due to the frequent Covid-19 cases across our schools, changes to our school timetables have had to be made at short notice as a result of staff and children illness. This always presents a challenge to everyone's plans and we warmly thank you and your children for the resilience and good nature that you continue to share with our school community.

Yours faithfully,

Sally Richards
Chair of Governors
Carleton Rode and Forncett St Peter CEVA Primary Federation