Dear Parent/Carer

At a meeting of the school Governing Body on 2 November 2023 it was decided to:

* change school category from Community to Foundation; and
* join the charitable Trust named Axia Learning Alliance which is a co-operative membership trust; with effect from 6 November 2023.

This is in line with the consultation and published statutory proposal.

The decision was taken as the Governing Body believe that Axia will help us to continue our on-going school improvement. The resources and expertise brought to the Alliance by the partners will strengthen strategic leadership, increase support and challenge and consolidate effective monitoring, thereby promoting improvement in outcomes for pupils.

This decision followed a consultation process during which all relevant parties were consulted and meetings held for pupils, staff, parents, the general public and unions and trade associations. Statutory guidance was followed. The views of those consulted were considered by the Governing Body, together with any made in response to the Statutory Notice, prior to the Governing Body deciding to proceed to implementation. The full report is available on our school website.

The school will continue to be run and managed by the Governing Body as before with the additional benefit of Axia nominated Governors and our partners to assist us in our future developments.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jon Bates

Chair of the Governing Body.