



Bathampton Primary School
Together on a learning adventure

Head teacher: Mr Paul Falkus B.A. (Hons)

15th December 2017

Dear Parents, Carers and other friends of our School,

As you may be aware we have been considering becoming an academy for some time now and on November 8th the Secretary of State for Education granted an Academy Order giving us consent to join the Bath & Wells Multi Academy Trust (“the Bath & Wells MAT”).

There are 12 early years and primary age schools in and around Bath all intending to join the Bath & Wells MAT as a “Hub”. The majority of these are the schools that we have been working with for many years as the East Bath Learning Partnership.

We have looked at other options, joining other MATs, forming a new MAT or staying as we are, but each governing body has opted for the Bath & Well’s MAT because we share the same values and because we recognise the value of being in a dynamic and supportive group of schools.

The Bath & Wells MAT is focussed on early years and primary age schools and has a proven track record of continuing school improvement. As an established Multi Academy trust, joining the Bath & Wells MAT can have an immediate impact in reducing the administrative burden on each school, for example with HR support services and budgeting support.

The Bath & Wells MAT recognises that our schools are individual and different, but at the same time many of the challenges we face are similar. Working together as a “Hub” will enable us to share resources and best practice still as separate schools, but all as part of the same organisation.

More information about the Bath & Wells MAT is available at www.bwmat.org. You will also find some questions and answers which you might find useful on the school website www.bathampton.bathnes.sch.uk.

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We are seeking the opinions of stakeholders and you are welcome to attend one of the public consultation meetings on Tuesday 16th January 2018 in our School Hall. They will be at 2.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. Please look at the information available in the meantime, and send any comments or questions to consultations@bwmat.org .

If you require a printed version of any of the documents available on the website please either e-mail bathampton_pri@bathnes.gov.uk or contact the school office on 01225 465229.

The consultation will remain open until 26th January and the questions and answers will be updated from time to time in response to any queries received.

On behalf of the Governing Body of Bathampton Primary School.

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