



English Hubs

St. Michael's English Hub

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Monday 1st March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Consultation - Academy Status

For some time, our school has been considering the potential of becoming an Academy and joining a multi-academy trust. Having given the matter very careful consideration, our Governing Body has decided to consult parents, carers, staff and other stakeholders on whether our school should become an academy and join 1Excellence Multi Academy Trust which was formed in June 2017 and incorporates two existing academies in the Stockton and Billingham region.

We are therefore commencing formal consultation today, Monday 1st March 2021 for a period of four weeks. Consultation will end at 3pm on Friday 26th March 2021.

How do I find out more information?

The attached frequently asked questions have been provided to give you further information about academy status, 1Excellence Multi Academy Trust and the process involved in joining the MAT. We will publish the FAQs on our school website and will keep them updated as new information becomes available.

How do I respond to the consultation?

Due to the current restrictions with Covid we are not intending to hold any group meetings or public information sessions at this time but we will continue to review this situation as further guidance develops.

However, the Senior Leadership Team and Governing Body are very keen to hear your views and answer any questions you might have.

We have provided a consultation response sheet attached to this letter for you to provide a written response to the consultation. Please ensure all responses are submitted by **3pm on Friday 26th March 2021**. It is unlikely that we will be able to respond to every one individually, but all comments will be carefully considered and we will update the FAQs on the web-site regularly.

If you have any further questions as we move forward with this process, please contact us on evenwood@durhamlearning.net and we will do our best to provide you with an answer.

Yours sincerely,

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