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Dear Stakeholder,

For some time now the Governors of St Erth School have been looking closely at ways to secure the best future of the school and we are considering becoming an academy as part of an academy trust. This is not the first time we have looked at the possibility of conversion. Recently, we have conducted research and received presentations from multi-academy trust organisations in order to evaluate, in detail, the best options for our school. We have now decided to make 'an expression of interest' with the Department for Education, to investigate joining the Truro and Penwith Multi-Academy Trust (TPAT) run by Truro and Penwith College.

We have had a number of meetings with representatives of the Trust and believe that this move provides a real opportunity for the school to work with a significant and successful local partner, who shares our ethos and values. We feel this would be a positive and exciting next step for our school and the community. We have completed an application form, which has been submitted to the Department for Education; confirmation is received in the form of a ministerial letter and a grant, for us to explore this option without cost to the school. The grant is used solely for investigating all areas of converting to a multi-academy trust. There is no commitment to becoming an academy at this stage.

We are in the middle of a consultation process which involves you as stakeholders. You can find a list of Frequently Asked Questions on our website which will outline more about the academy trust and the process.

The consultation period will close on the 25th April at midnight. If you do have any questions or concerns regarding this conversion please email them to: secretary@st-erth.cornwall.sch.uk or write to the Head and Chair at the school address.

Yours faithfully

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