



# Wychbold First and Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers

News from the Governors

As another exciting term draws to a close I am very pleased to be able to write to you with more good news for our school.

Thank you to everyone who expressed their opinion during the recent consultation period looking at the proposal for us to join the Rivers CE Multi Academy Trust. The comments received were very positive as was the support expressed by both the Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council. Following on from this and the process of due diligence carried out by both sides, I am delighted to report that we have now received a formal academy order to go forward and become an Academy, joining the Rivers CE Multi Academy Trust. The legal processes will now start and we are hoping for a conversion date of 1 July 2018. This is a very exciting development for us and we are already beginning to see increased opportunities for both staff and children.

Mrs Rachel Kiernan's term as a parent governor has just come to an end. She is happy to serve for another six months and will stand down at the Governors' AGM in September. In the meantime, she will serve as a community governor and there will be a vacancy for a parent governor. Over the next few months as we convert to an academy our governing body will need to reduce in size so until we know precisely how many governors we need her vacancy will not be filled. If you wish to speak to a school governor I am always happy to talk and can be contacted via the school office. We also still have four other parents on the governing body, Mr Reading, Mr Leah, Mrs Leahy and Mr Fisher, any of whom is happy to talk with other parents.

Thank you Mrs Kiernan for your dedicated service to the school.

Thank you to everyone for your support with achieving our attendance target. We are doing much better this year than last and are on track to achieve 96% attendance. Thank you for your continued support with not taking children away on holiday in term time. It makes such a difference not only to our school's attendance record but also to their individual attainment in school.

As governors we are very keen to support improved communication between school and parents. There have been a number of new initiatives this year and we should be very keen to have your feedback.

It only remains to wish all our families a happy Easter break and a restful holiday.

With best wishes

Eleanor Sinton  
Chair of Governors



