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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you are aware, Telford Priory School is part of the Community Academies Trust and has been for some years. Over this time, the Trust has supported the school to provide for the needs of your children and the community through their commitment to academic, social, and personal excellence.

Over the last six months in particular, the school has made important strides in moving forward with real purpose, most markedly seen in the best results in the School's history, more than doubling the grades from the previous year. A recent Ofsted monitoring visit has provided an important insight into the progress being made and we look forward to sharing the outcome of that on publication.

However, after consideration of the school's position, it has been decided that the school will move to be part of the family of academies in the Learning Community Trust (LCT). LCT are a Telford based trust with primary and secondary schools in the town including Hadley Learning Community, Charlton and Ercall Wood. They have an enviable reputation locally and regionally for meeting the needs of the communities they serve and for improving the life chances of the young people in their care.

We are delighted to be joining LCT because of the opportunities it will provide for your children and your community. Their expertise, commitment to young people and their communities, and their vision for sustained improvement is what the school and all associated with it deserve.

In the coming weeks, there will be a series of meetings between representatives of the Learning Community Trust and the community in which you can receive the information you need and ask questions which you may have about both the transfer and how the new trust will work with the school to make sure your child is as successful as possible.

As always, parents are our most important partners in education and we look forward to taking this journey with you. I am confident that this is a change which will allow the school to progress quickly and confidently to meet the needs of all.

Yours faithfully,

David Barber

Acting Headteacher



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Dear families,

I am delighted to be able to write to you in anticipation of Telford Priory School joining the LCT family next year.

On the 18th October 2023, the West Midlands Advisory Board discussed and approved the potential transfer of Telford Priory School to join the Learning Community Trust (LCT). LCT will now undertake the usual due diligence exercises common to the transfer of an academy into the Trust, which includes formal reporting back to our Board of Trustees and their approval processes at each step of the legal process. We therefore hope to be welcoming the school into the Learning Community Trust in Spring 2024.

While LCT schools share common values, we also recognise the importance of the local community and context so our schools have their own distinct identities which complement our shared vision and mutual values around the importance of community and inclusion and providing our children with an excellent, holistic education.

We are a community based Trust, all of our secondary academies are based within the local Telford and Wrekin area. We are passionate about providing an excellent educational service to our communities, and with that is an equal priority for communication and inclusion for all of our families.

We will be holding the first of a series of community engagement sessions in early January, and we welcome and encourage families to attend. We are keen to get your insights and input into the direction and developments the school takes as it moves into our Trust.

Any significant decisions the Trust takes will always be in consultation with our community – our families, our students and our staff. It is only by working together that we can truly fulfil our mission: we are driven to be an outstanding MAT for our community, with a clear vision to provide the best possible education for all the children and young people in our Trust, helping them to be successful in all they do both now and in the future.

We will share dates and details of the community engagement sessions with you over the course of the next few weeks, along with the option to complete a survey, so we can begin to capture your views and what you want to see from the school in the future.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours,

Jane Hughes

CEO of the Learning Community Trust



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our Trust, please visit:**



[www.learningcommunitytrust.co.uk](http://www.learningcommunitytrust.co.uk)

Our academies:

**Secondary:** Ercall Wood, HLC, Charlton, (Burton Borough, from January 2024)

**Primary:** Lantern, Wrekin View, HLC, Allscott Mead, Crudgington

**Special:** Severdale, Queensway, Kickstart