



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our full governing body held a meeting on 31/10/2023 to take a final vote on whether we should proceed with our application to become an Academy and form a Multi Academy Trust.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the consultation. As an elected group, we reviewed all comments and feedback from the online survey and the comments and questions from the consultation events. Governors also considered in great depth the school improvement plans, the financial implications of forming a trust, what benefits and drawbacks would come from being part of a trust, the local context, and our long-term vision for the future.

Our Decision

After considering and debating the benefits and any potential or perceived concerns, the governors have voted to proceed with our application to become an Academy and form The Mosaic Partnership Trust for the following main reasons:

We believe that a formal collaboration with other schools is in the best long-term interests of Bridgeway Federation (The Ridge and Broadway Infants).

We believe that we will be able to access higher quality services via the Trust and this will benefit the children as well as our staff team.

We believe that the vision and ethos of The Mosaic Partnership Trust align closely with our own.

As a governing body, we recognise and understand that some stakeholders are opposed or unsure about this proposal but hope that you will support our decision and that, as time goes on, you will see the benefits to our school community and the children we serve.

Next Steps

Governors will complete the application forms and submit them for consideration by the Regional Director and the Headteacher Advisory Board on the 20th November 2023. If they approve the proposal, then the Secretary of State for Education will issue the Academy Orders, and we will begin the legal process of conversion.

We will write again to inform you once the outcome of our application is known and keep you informed as this process continues.

Kind regards,

Carol Warrant

Chair of Governors for Bridgeway Federation