



MARKET DRAYTON INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

Empower Trust

The Governing Body has received notification from DfE that they have approved our application to change the legal category of our school from foundation school to that of Academy as part of a new Multi Academy Trust named Empower Trust. We believe this is a positive step, enabling us to work even more closely together with a group of local Shropshire Schools, supporting one another to achieve a common vision of high standards of teaching and learning. If the time scales proceed as planned this change will take place on or around 1st May 2018.

The six schools in the Trust are:

- Greenacres Primary School (Shrewsbury)
- Market Drayton Infant and Nursery School
- Market Drayton Junior School
- St Peters CE Primary and Nursery School (Wem)
- The Wilfred Owen School (Shrewsbury)
- Woodfield Infant School (Shrewsbury)

All of the above schools are judged to be good or outstanding schools by Ofsted and are working together to establish a sustainable and outstanding local education system that places the welfare and education of the children at the very heart. Empower Trust is based on shared values and the belief that together we can achieve more for our children through building on current successful collaboration. Empower Trust celebrates the fact that every school in the group will continue to be unique, reflecting the needs of its own community, whilst actively working and supporting the partner academies in order to deliver an outstanding education for all children within the trust. On a day to day basis, the school will stay the same, for example, the name, uniform, budget allocation and staff. We also remain fully committed to maintaining existing collaborations with our local partner schools including Grove School. Further information is available in the form of frequently asked questions on the school website. We are consulting on this proposal until Monday the 12th February and would welcome your written comments before that date. These will then be considered by our Headteacher and Governor Group who will meet on February 15th.

If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible via the school office.

Yours sincerely

Headteacher

Chair of Governors

Headteacher: Mrs. S. Scott

Chair of Governors: Dr. A. Howells

