



OWLS Trust

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Academy News

We would like to inform you that we have now received confirmation from the Department of Education that the OWLS Trust has been chosen and given Secretary of State approval to sponsor the new primary free school in Lubbethorpe, Leicestershire.

As a result Lubbethorpe Primary School will be the sixth school joining the OWLS Academy Trust, comprising Fernvale, Glenmere, Hinckley Parks, Langmoor and Little Hill Primary Schools. We are very much looking forward to strengthening the well-established partnership that we already have across our schools.

The OWLS Academy Trust will continue to have a CEO (Chief Education Officer) whose purpose will be to take a strategic lead and work in conjunction with Trustees and the Headteachers to promote a secure foundation from which to achieve high standards through a shared vision across the six schools. The CEO will be Mr Peter Merry, who is a National Leader in Education. Mr Merry will be working closely with new staff at Lubbethorpe Primary School throughout the opening period.

Each of the Six Schools will continue to run as they currently are with Headteachers, supported by the senior leadership teams at each school, who will be responsible for the overall running and progress of the individual schools. Each school will be overseen by a local governing body which in turn is supported by the Trustees and Members of the Multi Academy Trust. The Trustees are made up from independent professionals and volunteers who include current or former governors from the schools. The Trust operates within rigorous national guidelines and is fully audited each year.

Finally, we would like to thank the many parents, governors and staff who have contributed, either directly or indirectly, to helping us achieve this recognition for our hard work in being selected for this exciting opportunity. There is still much to do and many challenges ahead but we can move forward together with renewed confidence. By working in partnership we can achieve exciting and transformational change to provide the very best for our children now and in the future.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours sincerely

Dr Jonathan Tedds

Chair of Trust

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Peter Merry

CEO