

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share the news that the Governors of Camps Hill and Fairlands have voted unanimously to move forward with the Academy Conversion date of the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016. Both Governing Bodies met on the 8<sup>th</sup> September to consider the feedback given during the consultation period and after careful consideration made the decision to form a Multi Academy Trust together.

The schools have decided to name the Multi Academy Trust; The Claxton Trust, after Stevenage's visionary town planner. Eric Claxton's vision for the town was to facilitate the building of communities and enhance the wellbeing of residents by using innovative design. We share these values and believe strongly that our Trust should improve outcomes for our children and prepare them for a positive future. We are delighted to have the full support of his family who are proud that his legacy lives on in the town he loved and chose to make his home. The Claxton Trust will use 'purple' as its colour, signifying the coming together of the two founding schools; Fairlands (Blue) and Camps Hill (Red).

During this Autumn Term, the schools will ensure systems are in place to meet the Department of Education requirements for all Multi Academy Trusts. The Governors will continue to keep you up to date with our progress towards conversion. The large majority of these changes will occur at 'Trust' level and will not affect every day 'life' at individual schools.

We would like to thank the Staff, Community and Parents and Carers for their continued support. Your feedback and insightful questions during the consultation have been extremely valued. We wish to reassure you that we are confident that this partnership will improve outcomes for our current and future pupils, allow us to retain our fabulous staff and maintain our uniqueness as individual schools.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school or the Governing Body.

Yours sincerely,



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