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Dear Parents/Carers/Staff/Students

You may be aware of the current government policy to encourage schools to convert to academy status. A large number of schools have already converted, with 72% of secondary schools in our region being academies.

Over the last few months, the governors and staff of the school have been discussing Academisation. At a meeting of the Full Governing Body held on the 16th November the governors passed a resolution to formally consider converting to an Academy.

In the next few weeks the school will begin a consultation process to consider the views of all stakeholders. We will issue a statement explaining the governors' position, provide a Frequently Asked Questions guide and a timeline for conversion.

It is always our intention to provide the best possible education for our students and this drives the decisions of the governing body; we are therefore keen to engage with all parties and would like to encourage you to respond to the consultation.

The Full Governing Body will consider any views or comments received before making a final decision.

Yours faithfully

Graham Oakley
Chair of the Governing Body