

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents/carers,

The trust has always been committed to providing the best experience for our children, families and staff. As a result of this we continue to explore opportunities for the future growth of our organisation. The Trust Board are engaging with a select number of Multi-Academy Trusts in the area to seek a potential merger. This is an exciting time for us to gain the opportunity to consider working with other organisations. Throughout all of this we will be looking for this to be mutually beneficial and to build on the vision and values of Horizon.

Within the recent government white paper there is a central drive to reduce the number of small trusts by consolidating organisations to build a secure future. The ethos is that all schools will belong to a strong trust with structures to support robust financial stability and drive school improvement. Therefore, we are seeking an opportunity to ensure that Horizon is at the forefront of these changes. It is important for trusts to explore the ability to increase their capacity, to become more financially secure and deliver sustainable high-quality services for the future, while keeping children at the heart of all decisions.

Our aim will be to keep you fully informed as the situation progresses as it is crucial that you are aware of all developments linked to the trust and your child's school.

We would like to end by wishing you all a lovely half term and once again thank you for your support. We look forward to welcoming your children back to school in June.

Yours sincerely,

Maria Anderson  
CEO

Debbie Taylor  
Chair of Trust Board

