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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to all our parents who currently have a child in a school within the Trinity Multi-Academy Trust (MAT). The main aim is to bring parents up-to-speed with the latest developments in the trust, as well as re-emphasising why we are trying to grow the trust and what benefits this is having for your child.

I appreciate that there are different views out there regarding the role of such trusts in education. Having said that, I also think that a group of schools working so closely together must have a positive impact on the experiences of our young people.

The core principles of the trust, since it was formed in 2015, have been kept simple:

- We expect all our schools to actively support each other and to share best practice for the benefit of all.
- We encourage each of our schools to celebrate its distinctive identity within our trust community.
- We are committed to providing quality-assured services to keep our schools legal, financially robust and continually improving.

Over the last 12 months or so, the trust has expanded to include other institutions as well as its founding academy, Trinity Academy Halifax. At present it also includes The Maltings College, Akroydon Primary Academy and Cathedral Academy. Towards the end of this academic year we also expect to add Trinity Academy Sowerby Bridge, bringing the number of institutions to five (three secondary academies, one primary academy and one 16-19 college).

Staffing changes

Over the last year we have employed a number of people to provide quality central services to all our academies. These posts include specialist Directors of English, Mathematics and Science, as well as Directors of ICT and Literacy. We have also employed a Facilities Manager and in July we will welcome a new Compliance Manager. Within individual academies, we have appointed a range of proven leaders to the role of Principal:

Trinity Academy Halifax – Mr Nick Robinson
The Maltings College – Mrs Nicki Clarke
Akroydon Primary Academy – Mrs Emma Hanlon
Cathedral Academy – Mr Rob Marsh
Trinity Academy Sowerby Bridge – Mr Charlie Johnson

This month also sees us say farewell to Mr James Franklin-Smith. James has been at Trinity Academy Halifax since it opened and has performed various roles within the trust, most recently as Principal. He leaves us to work in an executive role across two secondary schools in another trust and, of course, we are very grateful to him for his contribution to date.

More information regarding the journey of the trust can be found on the website www.trinitymat.org and, as always, I would welcome any feedback that you may have as a parent regarding any aspect of our provision.

Regards



Michael Gosling
CEO