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Vision Statement:

'At St Nicholas we nurture everyone to be the best we can be, in a caring and inclusive Christian environment.' UNCR Article 29:
All children have the right to learning that allows them to become the best that they can be.'

21 October 2016

Dear Parent/ Carer

CONSULTATION MEETING: Monday 7th November, 7.00pm, Sturminster Newton High School.

You may be aware of the announcement from the Minister of Education in the summer that the DfE (Department for Education) are keen that all schools become part of multi academy trusts (MAT) within the next few years. The government position is that they will be encouraging schools in this direction and will compel schools they feel would benefit.

For some time before this, the local pyramid of schools had been involved in discussions about how we could work together more closely to improve the education of our children. As a result, the governors have been considering the creation of our own multi academy trust for our area, consisting of our local primaries and secondary school. This is clearly an important decision affecting children in our community, both now and for the future.

The governors would therefore like to invite all interested parents and members of the community to attend a consultation meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to outline and present possible plans for forming our own multi academy trust and to seek the views of parents and the community. The head teachers and governor representatives from all our local schools will be there to explain the plans in more detail and answer any questions.

The meeting will take place on Monday 7th November from 7.00 – 8.00pm at Sturminster Newton High School. Tea and coffee will be available from 6.30pm. We would greatly value your views and would encourage you to attend.

I very much hope to see you on November 7th.

Yours faithfully

Tracy Maley - Headteacher

