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Dear parents and carers

RE: membership of Leigh Academies Trust.

As the various processes work towards successful completion, now seems like a good moment to welcome you to Leigh Academies Trust (LAT). Marden Primary Academy will become its 28th school from 1st September following very positive due diligence and consultation throughout this year.

The Trust is one of the best-established, largest and most-respected groups of schools in the UK, operating in Kent, Medway, Bexley and Greenwich. We are responsible for the education of nearly 18,000 children from three-months to nineteen years. This includes very considerable experience of primary education. You will know that other local schools (Mascalls Academy; Paddock Wood Primary Academy and Horsmonden Primary Academy) are already thriving members of LAT.

In all of our academies we aim to work positively with the local community to preserve the special characteristics and ethos of each school. We encourage you to contact us with ideas and concerns whenever you feel that is necessary. Our objective is to ensure that your child is as happy and successful as possible. We will be bringing our considerable resources to bear from the outset to deliver those ambitions.

We would like to end by thanking Tracy Thomas and the Marden governing body for their support over the last few months to ensure a smooth process of academisation. We wish you a restful summer break after a quite remarkable year and look forward to getting the new term off to a strong and safe start in September.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S Beamish", written in a cursive style.

Simon Beamish
Chief Executive