

Randlay Primary School & Nursery

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Wednesday 25th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of an important development regarding the future of Randlay Primary School and Nursery. As you will be aware, this is a time of significant change within education, and we believe it is essential that we retain full control over the long-term direction of our school. After careful consideration, the Governing Body believes that exploring conversion to Academy status is the best way to ensure we continue to provide the highest quality education for our pupils, while safeguarding the values and vision that define our school. We are therefore opening a consultation period to gather the views of all our stakeholders.

As an Academy, we would have the flexibility to shape the future of our school to best meet the needs of our pupils, staff and parents. The Governing Body has given careful consideration to all options open to the school and has decided to explore the possibility of joining the Thomas Telford Multi Academy Trust. The ethos of this Trust closely aligns with our own, and the strong track record of schools within the Trust is driven by a shared commitment to securing the best outcomes for all children. Should we join the Thomas Telford Multi Academy Trust, we would retain our name and maintain considerable autonomy, while benefitting from collaboration across the Trust.

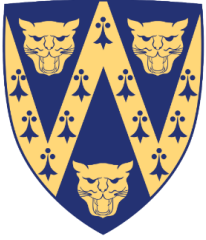
By joining the Trust, we would continue to shape our own school strategies and values, whilst having access to the expertise and shared practices within the Trust. We would also be able to benefit from the cost savings associated with centralised services, helping us to ensure that more of our budget is directed towards supporting our children and providing them with the best possible opportunities. The proposal is for the school to convert to Academy status and join the Thomas Telford Multi Academy Trust from 1st September 2026.

An important part of the proposal is ensuring clear communication with parents, staff, and the wider community. We want to keep you informed about the proposal and provide opportunities for you to share your comments and questions, which will form a key part of the consultation process. As part of this process, a public meeting has been arranged to allow parents, staff, and community members to ask any questions they may have. The meeting will take place on **Tuesday 14th April at 5:00pm**.



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Further information is available on the school website, including consultation timescales, details about the Trust and the Academy conversion, and a set of frequently asked questions.

The consultation period will run from **Wednesday 25th March to Wednesday 29th April 2026**.

Please find attached a copy of the questions and answers document which we hope you find useful.

If you wish to attend the meeting, please confirm your attendance to admin@randlayprimary.co.uk

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Lynda Stolic
Headteacher



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