

Plympton Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to update you on developments since our letter dated 16th January 2017.

The Governing Body of Plympton Academy has considered in depth converting to Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) status. A Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) is where a group of schools formally join together and are governed through a single set of members and directors.

We explored the possibility of being part of the MAT called the Ivybridge Academy Trust, with a group of other local primary and secondary schools that share a commitment to improving the lives of young people in our local communities.

However, the Governing Body of Plympton Academy, and Principal, do not feel, that at this moment in time, the Academy is able to commit fully to the proposed redevelopment of the Ivybridge Academy Trust and therefore did not agree to join on the 21st March 2017. This is in part due to the current situation of the Academy in terms of its own development plans and ambitions for the future.

There will be a continued discussions around a collaborative approach to the children within our communities and that the schools will be mutually supportive outside of this newly developed MAT.

The governors are very proud of Plympton Academy and its students and staff and are keen to see the Academy continue to develop and grow stronger.

We will of course keep you frequently updated whilst we explore further options.

Thank you for your continued support for Plympton Academy.

Kind Regards,

Lisa Boorman
Principal

Paul Hutchings
Chair of Governors

