

6<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Stakeholders,

In recent months, the Trustees of Joseph Leckie Academy, and the academy's Senior Leadership Team have been exploring the possibility of forming a new multi-academy trust, carefully considering the benefits and potential drawbacks whilst exploring various options for collaborative working moving forward.

As you are aware, Joseph Leckie Academy has a history of collaborative efforts with other local schools to ensure the provision of the best possible education for your children. In alignment with the Department for Education's direction, the Trust Board is applying to become a founding member of a new local multi-academy Trust named the Broadway Family Trust. This would involve closer collaboration with partner academy's, initially including Delves Infant and Junior School, Hillary Primary and Palfrey Infant School, with the potential for additional local schools to join in the future.

After careful consideration of how this change in status would benefit our academy, we believe that creating and joining a MAT with strong academies in our local community would be a positive next step for Joseph Leckie Academy. We have reviewed the extensive support available through a MAT and the significant benefits that collaboration with this group of academies will bring.

We are committed to continuous improvement and making decisions in the best interests of our students, staff, all academy stakeholders and our local community. Therefore, we value your input and transparency in our communications. We invite you to share your comments either in writing or via an online form.

For more information, please refer to additional documents outlining the reasons behind joining the Broadway Family Trust, including key information about the trust, frequently asked questions about academy conversion, and an Academy Conversion Feedback Form.

Additional information is available regarding the variations and the benefits of a multi academy trust are available through the Department for Education's website: <a href="https://www.education.gov.uk/academies">www.education.gov.uk/academies</a>

To express your point of view, please submit comments or questions regarding multi academy trust status as part of Broadway Family Trust. You can provide representations in writing using the feedback form or electronically through the provided link.

https://forms.office.com/e/4yKLNw14v4



## Joseph Leckie Academy



The closing date for all representations is 9:00 am on Friday, 8th March 2024. When the consultation period has closed, we will circulate answers to all questions via our academy website.

We appreciate your continued support for Joseph Leckie Academy. We believe in the excellence of our academy and are committed to providing the very best for our students and their families. Our goal is to position our students for a successful future while retaining our unique qualities and strengths at the heart of our community.

We are excited about the opportunities presented through partnership with the Broadway Family Trust, anticipating that it will allow Joseph Leckie Academy students to excel in their pursuits, achieve excellent outcomes, and leave our academy fully prepared to achieve their ambitions. We are proud to play a leading role in establishing this new MAT for the benefit of our students and the wider local community.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mr J Ludlow

Chief Executive Officer











