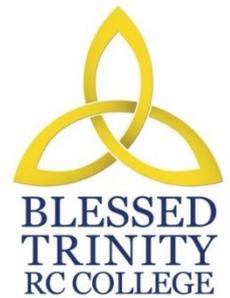


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Dear Parent



Romero Catholic Academy Trust

For some time now, the Diocese of Salford has been developing a new approach to the organisation of its schools through the formation and development of Catholic multi-academy trusts. Three such Trusts (known as MATs) have been created across the Diocese including the area covering Blessed Trinity namely, Lancashire, Blackburn with Darwen and Calderdale. This MAT has been named Romero Catholic Academy Trust. It includes primary and secondary schools.

Bishop John and the trustees of the Diocese have asked schools to consider if they want to join their MAT and become an academy and as a result, the governors of Blessed Trinity have met regularly to discuss this option. Recently, the governors decided to positively move forward with a view to joining the MAT as an academy. In reaching this conclusion, the governors see real advantages in schools within the Trust working together to improve the learning and outcomes for our pupils. In addition, they recognise that funding is more readily available to schools that are part of MATs and that as a larger group of schools under one Trust, we can benefit from economies of scale when it comes to purchasing and services.

Before Blessed Trinity takes this step to become an academy, a number of stages will have to be reached but the governors and I wanted to ensure parents and carers were informed and will be kept up to date on progress.

As parents and carers, you will want to know any implications this decision and direction of travel will have on the running of the school and your child's education and therefore a consultation will take place to allow a more detailed presentation about the MAT and take any questions you may have. Details will be sent to you shortly.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. M. Varey".

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