

2nd April 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to let you know that Wellsway Multi Academy Trust (WMAT) has decided to hold an additional INSET day next year to enable our schools to work on developing the curriculum.

In September the government is bringing out a new Ofsted framework for inspecting schools that places more emphasis upon the curriculum. We welcome these changes but recognise the need to provide additional preparation time for our staff to work on this. In addition we want to capitalise on the benefits of being a cross-phase trust by providing this opportunity for primary and secondary teachers to work together to ensure the curriculum and learning experience provides strong progression from Reception right through to Year 11.

The day we have chosen is the last day of term 1, Friday 25th October 2019, which means that all WMAT schools will be closed for the autumn break until Tuesday 5th November 2019 as Monday 4th November is also an INSET day.

As a trust, we are mindful of the need to support our staff and provide time for quality planning and preparation that ensures a very strong educational experience for our children.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Andrea Arlidge
Chief Executive Officer