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Dear Parents and Carers

Academy Conversion Update

As you know, at the end of the autumn term the governing body resolved that "...it is in the best interests of the pupils for Monks Orchard Primary School to apply to convert to academy status as part of a Multi-Academy Trust (MAT)."

After a thorough and detailed process of investigation into possible partners the governing body decided that we would like to explore a possible conversion as part of Fairchildes Academy Community Trust (FACT).

Fairchildes Primary School is an outstanding school, with a fantastic reputation, which has performed consistently well over many years. Working with parents and the local community is at the heart of all it does and we think Fairchildes is a great match for Monks Orchard. We will try to arrange for representatives from FACT to visit Monks Orchard to meet with you as soon as possible.

This is just the beginning of the process and nothing is 'set in stone,' yet. We don't know what the outcome of the General Election will be and what impact this may have on schools converting to academy status. We are very excited about this potential partnership and will keep you up to date as we move through the process.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Guy Fairbairn
Headteacher

