

The
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Middle School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to update you on some new developments in the middle schools which are part of our forward planning to ensure the continuation of the successful three tier education system in Royston.

The first Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) in Hertfordshire was RSAT, formed in November 2011, consisting of Greneway, Roysia and Meridian. This was formal recognition of the collaboration that has always been present across Royston schools. The aim of the Academy is to offer an excellent education to children in Royston and to lead our schools to even greater success.

You may be aware that Zoe Lington, Headteacher of Roysia, has recently been appointed to a post of Federation Headteacher in Bedfordshire and will be leaving Roysia at the end of this term. We wish her every success in her new role.

In line with national trends and five years since our MAT was formed, we are working with the Department for Education to explore new academy structures that can meet Royston's needs now and into the future. The Trust Board have appointed Laura Rawlings, the Headteacher of Greneway, as 'Interim Head of Middle Schools' for RSAT from January 2017. A number of options have been explored to ensure a plan which meets the needs of the schools and continues to drive forward improvement. Both Greneway and Roysia have skilled Leadership Teams who will work with Mrs Rawlings to ensure ongoing success for Greneway and Roysia. This example of shared leadership builds on the strong collaborative practice developed since the inception of RSAT and highlights the forward-thinking approach that the Trust is taking in the next stage of its development.

Our aim is to call on all the trusted expertise available to us to put together a structure that will ensure that Greneway and Roysia Schools maintain their strong leadership and management during this time. We are very fortunate to have experienced leadership teams and committed, supportive Governing bodies who will all work together to ensure the smooth running of the schools while further developments are planned.

As RSAT we are able to share expertise and resources and drive higher standards for young people in Royston. As our Trust evolves we see the next chapter as an exciting opportunity for education in Royston.

Yours sincerely

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