



Head of School : Mr J Reynolds B.Ed (Hons)  
Head of School : Ms H Turner B.Ed (Hons)

## Rolls Crescent Primary School

Rolls Crescent • Hulme • Manchester • M15 5FT

T 0161 209 9930  
@Rolls\_Crescent

E admin@rolls-crescent.manchester.sch.uk  
www.rolls-crescent.manchester.sch.uk

27<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

### Update from the Chair of Governors

I write to inform you that following a consultation with staff, parents and members of our community the governing body decided that Rolls Crescent should move out of Local Authority control and become part of a **Co-operative Multi-Academy Trust (Co-op MAT.)** While governors took seriously any concerns raised during the consultation period, on balance we agreed that joining a Co-op MAT was the best way to secure the future for Rolls Crescent. The Trust (made up of existing governors, members of staff and a local Head Teacher) will take over from the local authority as the employer of all staff, and have a legal responsibility for all other aspects of the school.

Governors are keen to establish a strong connection between the leadership of the schools and the schools' communities (you, the staff and others who are connected with the schools.) The Co-op MAT we are joining is in the process of establishing a Co-operative Trust. This means that a **Forum** will developed, which will allow parents, carers, staff and community members to meet and discuss issues related to the schools. The Forum can elect a chairperson who will sit on the Trust Board, to ensure that issues which are raised at the Forum are voiced at the body which is making decisions for the schools.

The next step is for Rolls Crescent to complete all the necessary legal work which is required for the conversion process. We are hoping that conversion to Co-operative Multi Academy Trust status will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2016. There won't be any external signs that it's happened. The school name, uniform, staff and day to day routines will remain the same. If you would like more information about any of this, then do get in touch, my details are at the end of this letter.

We appreciate the support our parents and carers have given us over the years. We are hoping you will extend this support to the broader life of the school as we continue to work alongside Chorlton Park and Old Moat in a Co-operative Multi Academy Trust.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Harding  
Chair of Governors

