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To Parents at Chiltern Edge School

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Dear Parent / Carer

As you will be aware, the future of Chiltern Edge School has been uncertain for some time. As a result of the dedication and determination of the staff and leadership of the school, the overwhelming support of parents and students and the support of the Local Authorities involved, the school will be joining a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) as a result of its Ofsted Inspection in March 2017. We are delighted to say Maiden Erlegh Trust is working very closely with the Governors and Headteacher at the school with a view to welcoming the school officially into our Trust on 1 August 2018.

Maiden Erlegh Trust, established in October 2014, is based in Reading and is well known for providing high quality education for local communities. Through our Teaching School we also have a proven track record of supporting school improvement in other establishments and providing excellent teacher training across all phases. Maiden Erlegh School in Earley consistently performs above the national average in examinations. As a result the school has gained national recognition for its performance, for example in 2016 we won the Regional Pupil Premium Award. Alongside our academic successes we pride ourselves in developing the whole child. When they leave us we want our students to be confident, well-rounded and prepared for the next phase of their lives.

We invite you to visit our school websites to see some of the work we do:

<http://www.maidenerleghschool.co.uk/>

<http://www.maidenerleghschoolreading.co.uk/>

<http://www.greathollandsprimary.co.uk/>

Information about the Trust can be found here: <http://www.maidenerleghtrust.org/>

As Executive Headteacher and Chair of the Board of Trustees, we understand the responsibility we have for each child and each member of staff in our organisation and we take that very seriously. We are a small Trust because we will only partner schools we believe in, and only when we feel able to support them effectively.

Our Trust motto is “**schools for the community, schools as a community**” as our aim is that every school in our Trust will embrace our values and ethos and many of our ways of working, but be firmly rooted in its own community, servicing their families’ and children’s needs in a bespoke way.

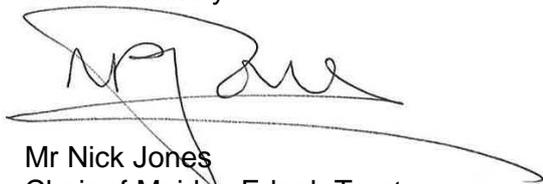
Through our recent Teaching School work at the school, we have taken the time to understand how best to support the school and your children, and we will ensure that the right people are in place to do this work.

Maiden Erlegh Trust is committed to building on the strengths of Chiltern Edge and working with Miss Green and the whole staff body, the governors and yourselves to develop the school further so that it provides exceptional academic outcomes for your children.

Over the coming weeks we will continue to work with colleagues at the school in preparation for next academic year. We will also be holding a parents' information evening and look forward to meeting you and hearing your views.

If you have any questions about this project, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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Mr Nick Jones  
Chair of Maiden Erlegh Trust

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Davies', written in a cursive style.

Miss Mary Davies  
Executive Headteacher  
Maiden Erlegh Trust