



20th February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

ACADEMY STATUS UPDATE

Across the country and more so here in Northamptonshire, the schools are being told quite frequently that the Local Authority in its present form will cease to exist in the near future. The date suggested is by 2020. As a result, many of the schools across the county have taken the decision to leave the Local Authority and join various Academy Trusts (in many different formats).

At Delapre Primary School, we took the stance to do our best to keep our identity and, after exploring several options, decided to try and progress with one particular trust. After several meetings, it became very apparent that they needed us more than we needed them and it was felt that Delapre Primary School would potentially lose its independence/identity.

Therefore, the Governors at Delapre Primary School took the decision at the Full Governors meeting on 6th February 2018 to withdraw our interest in this Trust.

"Where do we go next?"

As a School/Governing Body, it is important we continually look for opportunities that arise but, at the moment, we will remain one of the few Local Authority schools left in Northampton.

We will obviously keep a close eye on both the local and national situation and, you may rest assured, we will keep you informed of any decisions we make in the future regarding Academy Status and any opportunities we are made aware of.

Yours faithfully

H Portrey
Headteacher

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R Warr
Chair of Governors

