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# Rainbow Education Multi Academy Trust

A professional learning community

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Dear Parent / Carer,

I am delighted to write to you as Townfield Primary School has officially joined the Rainbow Education Multi-Academy Trust on 1st September 2021. The Rainbow Education Multi-Academy Trust and Townfield have now worked together since the 2019-20 academic year, and have already forged a great working relationship.

The Rainbow Education Multi-Academy Trust was established in 2014 and has steadily grown, with Townfield being the seventh school to join. As a trust, we are also one of only 87 Teaching School Hubs chosen by the Department for Education to deliver teaching and leadership development across the Mersey city region.

We pride ourselves as a values-driven trust that puts children first. Our five values of excellence, endurance, wisdom, trust and friendship influence our decision-making at a management and school level. When your child leaves Townfield for the next stage of their education, we are confident that they will actively display all five values; ensuring they become lifelong learners and adding great value to society as they mature.

Unlike some trusts, we recognise the importance of schools retaining their own identity. We do not change the name of the school or change the uniform. We expect all of our schools to play an important part of the local community. As a trust, we focus on the academic and pastoral support for each and every child.

In joining the Rainbow Education Multi-Academy Trust, rather than remaining as a Single Academy Trust, Townfield will receive many additional benefits. As a Multi-Academy Trust, we have a range of specialist central staff, such as the Director of Education, Head of Early Years and Head of SEND. These members are not based in a specific school; their specialism means that as a trust, we are at the forefront of educational policy, guidance and research, and we can implement improvements across our schools at speed. The central team also contains fully qualified and experienced business professionals working within HR, Finance and Estates departments, meaning that school leadership teams can focus on the important aspect of any primary school - the education and development of each and every child.

Having worked with Mrs Loftus and the leadership team at Townfield, we recognise that leadership is a strength of Townfield. Mrs Loftus has already put some helpful information on the school website, providing more information about the Rainbow Education MAT and the wider benefits for the school.

Over the coming months, we look forward to working even more closely with the school; working with staff and children to ensure Townfield is a vibrant and exciting place to attend as a pupil. We have a range of events planned for children across the trust; ensuring that all pupils who attend a Rainbow School interact and learn alongside each other. We will also be holding events for parents and carers to ensure that you learn more about the Rainbow, and discover how we positively engage parents and carers as crucial partners in the journey to educate your child.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Nichols  
CEO Rainbow Education Multi-Academy Trust