



Townfield Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Investigation Report and Financial Notice to Improve

We refer to the investigation report and the financial notice to improve (FNti) which were due to be published today. At the time of writing the ESFA Investigation Report has not been published, however as soon as this is available in the public domain we will update our website so you can view this report.

We can confirm that all of the issues are historic, going back over two years and the people who are referred to are no longer with Townfield. We also want to reassure you that we have already made a great deal of progress towards the requirements. We have been working with the ESFA to resolve the previous issues and we have been receiving positive feedback.

You will note that the FNti contains a requirement to join a Multi-Academy Trust. This is standard where there is an FNti, and indeed the ESFA are actively trying to encourage single academy trusts like ours to become part of a MAT regardless of any FNti. Prior to the issuing of this FNti, the Trustees had already decided that joining a MAT would be an excellent opportunity for the school and have been actively sourcing one that suits our school. We have discussed this with the staff today and the benefits that being part of a MAT will bring to the pupils and to the staff. We do not expect a decision to be made before the end of November at the earliest, and will keep you up to date.

We have been working tirelessly to resolve the previous issues without it affecting the continued provision of education in the school to your children and you can rest assured that joining the MAT will only bring additional benefits to the pupils.

As we are unable to hold a meeting for the parents, we invite you to email MAT@townfield.wirral.sch.uk with any questions that you have and we will respond as soon as we are able.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Moira Loftus
Headteacher

Mrs Caroline Prosser
Chair of Trustees

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