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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is my pleasure to be able to share with you our first Annual Trust Report, which highlights the amazing work of both children and colleagues from all of our schools, as well as the work of the trust support services. We hope that you find the report informative and that it provides you with a flavour of the amazing work of the trust and its academies.

As a Multi Academy Trust (MAT) we currently support 12 schools across West Norfolk, Thetford and West Suffolk with 3636 pupils and 557 members of staff. A MAT is essentially a group of schools that work together to improve the educational experience of all children under a single governing body (known as the Board of Trustees). We value the importance of local governance and each one of EMAT's schools retains a local Academy Committee and governors who act as the local eyes and ears of the trustees and are committed to further improving each one of our schools.

One of the keys to the success of the trust is our people, our cleaners, caretakers, Midday Supervisors, volunteer governors and trustees, office staff, TAs, teachers, Principals, HR, Finance and School Improvement teams to name a few. Without our colleagues none of the achievements celebrated in this report would be possible and we extend our thanks for their commitment and determination in continually improving the educational experience of our children.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support of our staff and hope that the children have an amazing summer break. We look forward to working closely with you next year and hearing all about their achievements.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Shanks

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