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Dear Parents/Carers

We are pleased to announce that we are in the final stages of the academy conversion process, which will see us join together with St Joseph's and St Paul's schools to form the St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Multi Academy Trust.

The governing body has been working hard over the spring term looking into all the various aspects of academy conversion and ensuring we are certain that progressing with this is in the best interests of the school, staff and pupils. We are pleased to confirm that all of this due diligence has been completed and the governing body at each of the schools has agreed to progress with the conversion.

We are currently in the process of finalising and signing all of the legal documents, which are then passed to the Department for Education. Once the Department counter signs the documents the conversion process is complete. We expect this to be concluded by the end of March, which will mean we will convert to academy status on 1 April 2016.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Rea
Headteacher

