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**Together we are exploring our special gifts; Together we are growing towards God**

Thursday 9th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

**RE: Blessed Christopher Wharton Catholic Academy Trust – A Diocesan Family of Schools**

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you have had an enjoyable Christmas break.

We are writing to let you know about the plans for our school to join the Blessed Christopher Wharton Catholic Academy Trust (BCWCAT), along with our family of Catholic Schools in Bradford and Keighley.

As you may already know, we work very closely together with other schools through The Catholic Schools Partnership Teaching School Alliance. Being part of the BCWCAT will benefit all the children in all our schools, helping us support one another as one family of schools.

A common question asked is **‘How will this affect me and my child**?’ The simple answer to this question is that **nothing will change**.

Conversion to an Academy Trust is a legal and governance change. Our school will keep its identity, uniform, name, logo, mission and vision. We will continue to put you and your children first and will continue with our vision of **‘To be a consistently outstanding Catholic Primary School in everything we do every day’.**

If you have any questions or concerns then please come and join us to find out more about what converting to the Academy means.

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| **Meeting Date and Time** | **Meeting Venue** |
| Tuesday 28th January 2020 2.30 pm & 5.30 pm | St Cuthbert & The First Martyrs Catholic Primary SchoolScotchman Road, Bradford, BD9 5AT |
| Thursday 30th January 20202.30 pm & 5.30 pm | St Francis Catholic Primary SchoolMyers Lane, Bradford, BD2 4ES |

If you are unable to attend one of these meetings we will answer any questions you may have. Please either write to Mr Copley or email to consultation@bcwcat.co.uk

The closing date for questions is **5.00 pm** on **Friday 14th February 2020**.

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Mr Daniel Copley Mrs Jane Reynard

Executive Headteacher Chair of Governors