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Dear Parent

Magna Learning Partnership

After so much time, planning and anticipation I am now proud to be able to announce formally the opening of the multi academy trust known as Magna Learning Partnership. This will come into being on 1st April 2017. For Wyvern College and The Trafalgar School at Downton this marks the conversion to academy status and for St Edmund's Girls' School the legal articles change and the existing academy becomes part of a multi – academy trust.

This is an exciting point in our school's history and sets in place a pattern of collaboration and co-operation that will define education locally. The factors which make the schools distinctive will be cherished and enhanced, while affording all the mutual benefits of working together. The educational and financial rationale which brought us together initially will become increasingly important and will no doubt prove attractive as other schools are considering joining the Magna Learning Partnership. A local and supportive partnership which celebrates excellence and supports improvement will be a powerful force for change and a real boost for education in our area.

With this announcement of welcome change, it is important to stress also that in most important respects any changes will be natural and follow due process. The schools on 1st April will look and feel identical to how they did on 31st March and no drastic or immediate changes are envisaged. Importantly, for parents, the schools will be run in the same way, by the same people and with the same ethos. Any questions or issues should be addressed to the school in exactly the same manner.

We have joined together in this formal partnership clear in our understanding that it will offer a better deal together for children, staff and parents. The positive and individual reasons which drew you to Wyvern College in the first place will continue unaltered and we are confident that the benefits of Magna Learning Partnership will be clear to see.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at the school or visit: www.magnalearningpartnership.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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