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Dear Parent/Carer.

Re: Academy Conversion Consultation

As you may already be aware, the Governors of Nelson Infant School have recently taken the decision to initiate the consultation process regarding the acquisition of academy status and joining the existing Evolution Academy Trust (EAT) as a sponsored academy.

The EAT and the School Governors wish to seek views of the School community to inform our final decision. To support parents/carers in developing their knowledge and understanding of what is involved in becoming an academy we have prepared a questions and answers information leaflet which is available following the Academy link on the school website at http://www.nelson.norfolk.sch.uk/consultation . Paper copies of the leaflet are available from the school office.

You will note that included in the booklet is a response sheet which we strongly encourage you to complete and return to us by 25th May, in order that your opinions are collated and considered in the consultation process.

To further support your participation in the consultation we invite you to attend an information session with School Leaders, Governors and representatives of EAT including Mr Tony Hull and Mr Mark Adamson.

The meeting will include a discussion about what academy status would mean for the School and will be your opportunity to ask questions.

We anticipate the meeting will last for approximately 45-60 minutes, commencing at 6pm on 9th May in the School Hall.

We have already begun to discuss academy status and the Evolution Academy Trust with staff in school, and will also include pupils and members of the wider community in the consultation process.

In order that we gather as broad and deep a range of opinions as possible, we strongly urge you to participate by completing the response sheet at the back of the question and answer booklet by the above date.

We look forward to speaking with you at the meeting and to receiving your comments.

Yours sincerely

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Chair of Governors

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