



## INFORMATION SHEET: PARENTS, CARERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Individual schools would keep their unique identity, name and distinctiveness.
- Transport arrangements will not change
- The SAND Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board of Trustees will ensure that effective and appropriate oversight of schools is carried out, and the Heads of school and Local Advisory Boards will run their own school on a daily basis Parents will be represented on the Local Advisory Board
- The name of the school will not change
- The uniform will not change
- The MAT will develop a new logo and identity for the MAT and we will use this in addition to our own logo.
- The schools admission policy will remain unchanged and continue to be run by the Local Authority
- The MAT arrangements will share some central services across the schools which will help them be more efficient and make sure that funding is focused on teaching, learning and support for children
- The MAT is committed to working in partnership with Gloucestershire Council (the Local Authority) as well as with local partners, schools, families and community groups as currently.
- The MAT is committed to establishing outreach & in reach support and training to a wide range of organisations as well as families.
- The MAT recognises and adheres to the principle of seeking best value for money and will be able to look at negotiating bespoke contracts and better procurement deals over time. Cost efficiencies and savings would enable the MAT to focus more financial resources on school improvement.
- Belmont school leaders and Governors believe benefits will include:
  - ✓ Strengthened Teaching and learning through partnership working, the development of expert training for staff and the sharing of resources
  - ✓ Improved access to facilities and investment in buildings and specialist facilities via bids direct to central government
  - ✓ Improving standards through shared expertise
  - ✓ Stronger voice to influence the system for SEND Children
  - ✓ Input from wider professional network and support from Trustees
  - ✓ Increased capacity to offer more holistic support to parents and carers
  - ✓ More opportunities for our best work to be shared

