



Monday 15th March 2021

Message to Parents

Dear Parents and Carers,

Stakeholder Consultation

Proposed Merger of QUAERERE ACADEMIES TRUST (Q3) and THE MERCIAN TRUST

As you may know, our academy is part of Q3 Academies Trust which is proposing to merge with The Mercian Trust. We believe this will bring more opportunities for our pupils, but we would very much like to hear the views of parents, staff and other stakeholders.

Trustees of both Multi Academy Trusts have appointed Smith Gadzik Communications, an independent company, to carry out this formal consultation on our behalf.

Information to support your understanding of our proposed merger is available on the Smith Gadzik website using this link: <https://www.smithgadzik.online/consultation>

Please take a few minutes to [read the information](#) about our proposed merger, [submit questions](#) you have and [tell us](#) whether or not you support our proposal by using the online survey.

In addition to providing information for you online we will also be holding virtual stakeholder meetings after the Easter break where you can find out more. The formal consultation runs until Friday 7th May 2021.

Once our respective Trust boards have received and considered responses from this consultation they will each make a decision on whether or not to proceed with our planned merger application to the DFE. Each Trust board is currently undertaking due diligence activities and will individually consider the feedback provided from staff and stakeholders.

Our shared ethos and common purpose are what have united our vision for the future, and our commitment to all our schools remains as strong as ever. We look forward to receiving your feedback on our proposals.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'APMartin'.

Andrew Martin
CEO, Q3 Academies Trust

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Daniel Parkes'.

Daniel Parkes
CEO, The Mercian Trust