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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Catholic Academy Trust Consultation

The Governors of St Margaret Clitherow Catholic Primary School have taken the decision to initiate the consultation process regarding the acquisition of academy status and joining a Catholic Academy Trust with our partner Catholic schools in the Deanery.

This letter is informing you of the consultation, which opens on Monday 19 January and closes on Friday 13 February.

A consultation does not mean we have taken a final decision to convert to an Academy, but that we wish to seek the views of all our community to inform the final decision. To support you in developing your knowledge and understanding of what is involved in becoming an academy we have prepared a questions and answers consultation leaflet which will be available from Monday 19 January on the school's website at -

<https://clitherow.herts.sch.uk/consultation.html>

Included in the leaflet is a response sheet which we strongly encourage you to complete and return to us by Friday 13 February in order that your opinions are considered as part of the consultation process. You can email this back to consultation@clitherow.herts.sch.uk If you would like a hard copy of anything, please contact the school office. Please also return any completed hard copies of the response sheet to the school office and by the deadline stated above.

To further support your participation in the consultation we invite you to attend an information session with school leaders and Governors. The meeting will include a presentation about what joining the Catholic Academy Trust would mean for the school, and it is another opportunity to ask questions.

We anticipate the meeting will last for approximately 60 minutes, commencing at 5:30pm on Monday 26th January 2026.

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

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth King
Chair of Governors

Carmela Puccio
Headteacher