



Borden Church of England Primary School

Part of the UNITAS Collaboration

School Lane Borden Sittingbourne Kent ME9 8JS

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of another successful year, it is a good time to reflect on what we have achieved, update you on some important changes and look forward to an even more successful 2017/18! Firstly on behalf of the Governing Body, can I thank you all for your continued support for the school and I thank you for working in partnership with us to ensure that your child achieves their potential in life. Without us working together we couldn't have achieved so much.

We are pleased to be able to share with parents that the arrangements for the school's conversion to academy status are nearly complete and that conversion will take place during the school holidays. As we said in our consultation letter, parents and children will not see any immediate changes, but we are confident that the conversion of the four schools in the Unitas Collaboration into a multi academy trust will help us to continue to develop and improve.

The Academy Company has now been established and our contracts with the Secretary of State are ready to be put in place. All staff have been consulted in detail about the transfer of their employment to the new organisation, on the same terms and conditions as they have now. We have however had to introduce a new name for the multi academy trust because the name "Unitas" is already being used elsewhere. We have chosen the name **Potential in Everyone Academy Trust** because it embodies our ethos and vision and illustrates exactly what we are aiming to develop for the community across our four schools. We want all of our children and staff to be able to achieve their full potential and to use their unique abilities and qualities to be all round good citizens and role models for future pupils. We hope that parents and the wider community will share our enthusiasm for developing an extensive range of life changing enhancement opportunities for children in all our schools, that will ultimately enable every single child to realise their potential. Governors and staff and the members and directors of the Potential in Everyone Academy Trust are excited about this new stage in our school's development. If parents have any questions about the academy trust or any other aspect of your child's school life please do contact your child's school in the usual way.

Sadly, Mrs Sheila Dunk is retiring at the end of the summer term and we thank her for her 25 years of unstinting service to the school and the local community and we look forward to working with our new head of school Mrs Karen Godsell in September. Also, our senior teacher Ms Sharon Miller is leaving the school and we thank her for her many years of service and wish her well in her new venture. Stephanie Tollervey will be joining the school in September as the new senior teacher, and we look forward to her input to the school.

We are sad to see our year six children leave, but we are sure they will be successful in their next stage of educational school life. Finally, we thank you again for all your support for the school during the year, wish you a happy summer and look forward to the children returning to school in September.

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Chair of Governors.



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