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Chadsgrove School

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Head of School: **Bec Gayden**

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Dear Parent Carers,

We hope this letter finds you well.

We are writing to share some very positive and exciting news about the future of our school and our wider Trust family. We are delighted to announce that New College Worcester (NCW) will be joining the wider Aequalis Education Trust community.

As you know, Aequalis Education Trust is driven by a vision to create an ethical, inclusive, and ambitious family of schools that work collaboratively to enhance educational outcomes and opportunities for all. We believe that by bringing together mainstream and specialist education, we can provide the very best support for every child and young person in our community.

New College Worcester is a wonderful school based in Worcestershire, internationally recognised for its expertise in educating young people with vision impairment. By working closely with NCW within our Trust, we are adding a huge amount of specialist knowledge and experience to our family of schools. This partnership allows us to further strengthen the quality of education we provide across all our schools, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive.

Please be reassured that the day-to-day running of your child's school will not change. Our commitment to placing your children at the heart of everything we do remains as strong as ever. What this partnership does mean is that our staff will have even more opportunities to share best practice, learn from specialist colleagues, and access excellent facilities, all of which ultimately benefits the education we provide to your children.

We understand that change can sometimes bring questions, and we want to assure you that we will continue to communicate regularly and openly with you.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support as we move into a future together rich with opportunity, collaboration, and innovation.

Yours faithfully,

Deb Rattley
Trust Lead, Aequalis Education Trust

Bec Gayden
Head of School, Chadsgrove School



A Message from the Chair of Trustees: *"Welcoming New College Worcester – a highly respected specialist provider – into Aequalis Education Trust, is a fantastic step forward. It reinforces our commitment to inclusive education and securing the best possible future for our young people."* – **Sam Griffiths, Chair of Trustees, AET**