

5th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have had a wonderful summer and enjoyed spending time in the fresh air with your family and friends. On behalf of the Trust I am delighted to be welcoming you and your child(ren) back to a new academic year.

Over the summer school closure period the Trust finally assumed responsibility for Riverwalk School in Bury St Edmunds and Warren School, Lowestoft and look forward to working collaboratively with all colleagues from across the Trust to provide more opportunities that will continue to enhance the lives of its pupils.

We continued to improve and invest in our schools during the summer with some new heating systems being installed and fire compliance work completed. Helmingham Primary School and Nursery had a new outdoor base to learn from built in the school grounds and will now offer a more outdoor approach to their learning.

I'm sure the recent news reports about the use of aerated concrete in school buildings has been a concern to you but I'm delighted to confirm that following surveys of all our sites there is no indication that any settings are affected by this issue. We will however continue to monitor government guidance.

We hope your child(ren) have a settled start in their new classes and look forward to celebrating their achievements with you over the next year.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Aalders-Dunthorne

CEO