

Wellsway Multi Academy Trust Parent and Carer Newsletter

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A new name for our Trust

The Trustees of Wellsway Multi Academy Trust are pleased to confirm that our Trust is in the process of changing its name to Futura Learning Partnership. The change has been planned for some time and will come into effect at the beginning of the new academic year in September 2021.



Futura
Learning Partnership

Since our Trust was established in 2014 by Wellsway School in Keynsham, we have evolved and grown significantly in size and scope. Our family of schools now includes thirteen schools, operating across three local authority areas. Together, our schools are responsible for educating nearly 6000 children and young people aged from 3 to 19. Our new name is reflective of this growth and has been agreed by pupils, staff and governors across the Trust. Like a number of multi academy trusts around the country, we feel it is appropriate now to have a name that is not the same as one of our schools, to emphasize that each school is of equal importance. Our new name also reflects our vision and values, which celebrate aspiration, ambition and hope for the future.

We are not forgetting our roots however – our new name has a subtle reference to Wellsway School through its motto, Futura Aedificamus, meaning “We build for the future”. ‘Learning partnership’ closely reflects the commitment and value we place on collaboration, partnership working and being one organisation.

As well as helping to choose our new name, our pupils, staff and governors also helped us to choose our new core values, which are:



- **Respect** – behaving with integrity and worthy of trust; respecting self, others and the environment
- **Opportunity** – providing experiences for growth and development; opening doors to future success
- **Collaboration** – working together towards shared goals and success; being ‘stronger together’
- **Aspiration** – encouraging ambition; providing the inspiration, challenge and support to achieve success in all its forms

These values sum up what is important to us as a Trust and underpin the work we do to ensure that all members of our community benefit from being part of the wider organisation.

So, what does being part of our Trust mean for you as a parent or carer with a child attending one of our schools?

Each one of our schools has an individual school improvement strategy, based on what we call the “Futura Way”, ensuring consistency of practice across all schools. This approach means that whichever school your child attends, they are guaranteed the best teaching, the best opportunities and importantly the best experiences, both in and outside the classroom. Put simply, through working together in partnership we can provide opportunities, for pupils and staff, over and above that which an individual school can provide.

Over the remaining newsletters of this academic year, we will try to bring to life what this means in practice and will share some of the ways in which being part of Futura Learning Partnership will benefit your child.

In the meantime I wish you a very enjoyable bank holiday weekend and hopefully lots more sunshine!

With thanks and best wishes,

Andrea Arlidge

Chief Executive