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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Opportunities to join the Board of Trustees of the Generations Multi Academy Trust and Local Boards**

As you are aware, the Generations Multi Academy Trust led by Goffs will be operational from the start of next term, with the opening of the current Cheshunt School as Goffs-Churchgate. I am pleased to say that all of the necessary legal work is progressing smoothly. Everything is ready for the launch and development of the new school from the end of August.

Tom Sparks will, as you know, take up the position of Principal of Goffs-Churchgate. He is already working on the development of the new school, demonstrating the drive, enthusiasm and good humour we have come to expect from him.

Alison Garner will then move to the position of Executive Principal overseeing the work of both schools plus the development of the Trust. Goffs Academy will be in the capable hands of Ben Pearce. As Associate Principal he will take the lead on the day to day operation of the school; another well deserved promotion.

The members of the current Goffs Governing Body have all agreed to join the Board of Trustees of the MAT. There will also be a local Board for each school. We are keen to recruit parents to join those bodies. We are keen to appoint:

- Up to three people to join the Board of Trustees itself
- People to join what will be the local governing Board for each school: Academy Advisory Boards. These local boards will meet up to twice termly. They will undertake oversight of each school's work at a local level and we very much hope that some members of them will progress onto the Board of Trustees in due course.

We have considered what core competencies we would like to acquire, to complement those we already possess. We have identified the following: IT/Technology; Real Estate/property; branding/marketing. If you have skills and experience in one of those broad areas we would be particularly keen to hear from you.

In addition, each new Trustee would be expected to be able to demonstrate an interest in education and to possess the ability to work constructively as a non-executive member of a Committee or Board. Very importantly, Trustees need to be prepared to commit to evening meetings on a regular basis, plus occasional days in school as part of observing the Trust's work.

The local Boards are new. Hence, whilst noting competencies of particular interest above, we would like to hear from anyone interested in participating as a member, whatever their skill set and experience.

I emphasise that no-one is expected to be the "full package" immediately and that training will be given.

If you would be interested in learning more about these positions, you can contact me by email at [ac@litletonchambers.co.uk](mailto:ac@litletonchambers.co.uk). We can then arrange to speak and, perhaps, meet to discuss your possible involvement.

I very much hope that there will be interest in these positions and look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Clarke  
Chair of Governors