

30<sup>th</sup> April 2026

We are writing to update you on a significant development in the process of Create Learning Trust joining The Sir John Brunner Foundation.

Both Trusts have conducted thorough due diligence processes, including a successful public consultation.

Following the unanimous agreement of both Boards of Trustees to proceed with an application to the Department for Education for the transfer, we are pleased to confirm that the application has now been approved.

This marks a pivotal step in the process, and we are very much looking forward to continuing to work in partnership, becoming a Trust comprising four primary schools, three secondary schools and a sixth form college. We are excited to work together to enhance and advance every child's life within our Foundation.

We can now move forward with onboarding the Create Learning Trust schools into The Sir John Brunner Foundation. We are hopeful and will be working diligently towards the transfer taking place by the end of the calendar year.

The next phase will involve consultation with colleagues from Create Learning Trust, as well as the necessary legal work to complete the transfer. We will also continue developing collaborative practices as we strive to make our Foundation an excellent place to work, and one where we provide all our children with the very best educational experience and the conditions for them to thrive, flourish and achieve excellence.

Yours sincerely,

Alan Redley (Chair of Trustees for The Sir John Brunner Foundation)

Faye Russell (Chair of Trustees for Create Learning Trust)

Matt Snelson (CEO of The Sir John Brunner Foundation)

Sarah Woodward (CEO of Create Learning Trust)

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