



## St Catherine of Siena Multi Academy Company

Registered Office –Our Lady & St Hubert’s Catholic Primary School, Moat Road, Oldbury, B68 8ED

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### St Catherine of Siena Catholic Academy

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To all of our families and the school community,

First, I would like to thank you all for the hard work and commitment you show to our pupils, to our schools and to our community every single day. There have been far too many wonderful moments of learning and citizenship across the MAC to count and name, but we value all you do to make us all that we are.

The Saint Catherine of Siena Catholic Academy is the unity of our four schools: Our Lady & St. Hubert’s, St. Francis Xavier, St. Gregory’s and St. Philip’s. Over the coming months, we will be working hard to strengthen our relationships and find ways of supporting each other, so that we continue to grow together.

You may be aware of the challenges facing education now, and much has been made of the financial cuts and difficulties that schools are facing. As an academy, we have taken positive steps to ensure that all schools will be able to continue to flourish in their unique communities and with their unique identities by having the systems, finances, policies and processes in place to secure the schools. Therefore, the changes the Directors have made will ensure that, long-term, the schools have a robust infrastructure and strong financial systems that will enable it to grow in these difficult times – not just survive.

As part of these changes, from November, we have appointed Dr Daniel Doyle as the Senior Executive Principal and the Accounting Officer for the Saint Catherine Catholic Academy. He will now have overriding responsibility for the academy’s finances and standards, and will be looking to establish strong working practice across the four schools – developing our unity and community in the process.

Alongside Mr. Doyle, the board have appointed Caroline Caddick as the company’s Finance and Operations Manager, and Michelle Crawford will be named as Head of School at Our Lady & St. Hubert’s.

We thank you for your support in recent years, and look forward to your continued support as we move toward the New Year. As Saint Catherine said: *"Start being brave about everything. Drive out darkness and spread light. Realise that in Christ crucified, you can do anything"*. Our mission as an academy is clear; we want to use the uniqueness of our schools to create an academy that is a beacon of excellence within education and the community. All of our pupils will receive an education that is centred on Christ, active service as men and women for others and the very best educational practice. In doing this, our pupils will know who God has called them to be, and go on to be men and women who set the world on fire.

We will be communicating events, initiatives, masses and opportunities to our families regularly from now on, and look forward to working together. Have a wonderful Christmas with your families and God bless!

Regards,

Joyce Gardner

Danny Doyle

(Chair of Directors)

(Senior Executive Principal and Accounting Officer)

***"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire"***  
***St Catherine of Siena***