## **Uplands Junior School**

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21st May 2025

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Academisation Consultation

I am writing to inform you that after careful consideration the Board of Governors in conjunction with Mrs Webster-Smith, Head Teacher is seeking to convert to an academy with the intention of joining the Lykos Multi Academy Trust.

We are committed to ensuring the best possible outcomes for our pupils and ongoing school improvement. We believe joining the Lykos MAT will open new opportunities for collaboration and provide access to resources and shared expertise that will ultimately benefit the education and wellbeing of our children.

The Lykos Multi Academy Trust (Lykos is Greek meaning Wolf Pack) currently comprises of four excellent schools: Highfields Secondary; Warstones Primary; Springdale Primary; and Spring Vale Primary. Uplands already has strong links with these schools and all share similar child centered, inclusive and respectful values which reflect our own. Westacre Infant school, our main feeder school are intending to join the Lykos MAT. As part of the same MAT we have an opportunity to strengthen the partnership between Uplands and Westacre and the education journey for primary children and their families in the local community.

Schools within the MAT retain their own unique identity and enjoy a high level of autonomy. The school name won't change nor will its uniform. There is no plan to impose structures, change staffing or working practices on Uplands, however sharing expertise across the family of schools is expected to provide greater strength and resilience for the whole community.

Uplands and Lykos will now carry out formal due diligence and consultation. As parents, carers, and members of the local community we welcome your comments and questions to the email address below. A list of FAQ is attached and will be put on the school website. A webpage for academisation will be set up on the school website and any questions or comments which we feel will be of interest to other parents will be shared on this page together with any important updates.

This is an exciting opportunity to shape the future of Uplands and bring about positive change in the way we lead our school, build on our success to date and meet new future challenges to ensure the best outcomes for our pupils. We look forward to hearing from you.













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Comments or questions on our plan to join the Lykos MAT should be sent to the Chair of Governors via email to uplandsjuniorschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk with the subject heading "Lykos Trust" by Friday 20th June 2025.

Yours sincerely,

D. Anslow

Chair of Governors















