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Dear Parents

We are writing to let you know that we are working together in our families of schools in the Diocese of Hallam to form two new Catholic Multi Academy Trusts (CMATs) where all 47 diocesan schools will be equal partners in one of the new CMATs.

Together we have a shared vision for the future of Catholic Education in the Diocese which Bishop Ralph set out in a letter to all diocesan schools earlier in the year. In his letter the Bishop described the crucial role schools have in announcing the Gospel to the world and the importance of ensuring that Catholic education is secured, protected and developed further for the benefit of future generations of children.

The aim is to have the CMATs open early in Spring 2022 with schools joining in phases throughout 2022. I attach the lists of schools in each CMAT. The CMATs are not yet named. However we will very shortly be involving our staff, children and governors in selecting a name and we will let you know as soon as this has been decided.

The detailed planning about how the CMATs will be structured and organised and the timing for each phase is evolving based on best practice and tailored to meet the needs of Hallam schools. However, we do know that the Diocese is committed to ensuring that every school will retain its individuality, its ethos and character so that for our children and staff there will be no interruption to learning and no changes to the uniform or school day when we join the CMAT.

Information available so far, including the Bishop's letter to Schools, is posted on the Diocese of Hallam website under the Schools section and can be accessed with this link:

<https://hallam-diocese.com/schools-home/mat-development/>

Please visit the webpage regularly for updates and FAQs about this exciting development. When we have more detail we will invite you to respond to the proposals as part of our wider engagement. Any questions not already addressed in the FAQs can be raised at that point.

Yours sincerely

Head of School

Chair of Governors

**Catholic Multi Academy Trust {Name xxx}**

School	Type	Current Status	Local Authority
All Saints	11-18	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
Emmaus	Primary	HSPAT Academy	Sheffield
Holy Rood	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Barnsley
Holy Trinity	3-16	HSPAT Academy	Barnsley
Notre Dame	11-18	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
Our Lady & St Joseph's Wath	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Rotherham
Sacred Heart	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
Sacred Heart Goldthorpe	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Barnsley
St Alban's Denaby	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
St Ann's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Catherine's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Helen's	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Barnsley
St John Fisher	Primary	HSPAT Academy	Sheffield
St Joseph's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Joseph's, Rawmarsh	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Rotherham
St Marie's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Mary's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Michael & All Angels	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Barnsley
St Patrick's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Pius	11-16	Voluntary Aided	Rotherham
St Theresa's	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Sheffield
St Thomas More	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Thomas of Canterbury	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield
St Wilfrid's	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Sheffield

**Catholic Multi Academy Trust {Name yyy}**

School	Type	Current Status	Local Authority
Holy Family, Stainforth	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Doncaster
Holy Family, Worksop	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Nottinghamshire
Immaculate Conception	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Derbyshire
McAuley High School	11-18	Single Academy Trust	Doncaster
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
Our Lady of Sorrows	Primary	HSPAT Academy	Doncaster
St Bede's, Rotherham	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Bernard's	11-16	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Francis Xavier	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
St Gerard's, Thrybergh	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Joseph & St Teresa's	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
St Joseph's Dinnington	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Joseph's Retford	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Nottinghamshire
St Joseph's Rossington	Primary	HSPAT Academy	Doncaster
St Joseph's, Staveley	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Derbyshire
St Mary's Edlington	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster
St Mary's Herringthorpe	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Mary's High School	11-18	Single Academy Trust	Derbyshire
St Mary's Maltby	Primary	Single Academy Trust	Rotherham
St Mary's Primary, Chesterfield	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Derbyshire
St Patrick's Bircotes	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Nottinghamshire
St Peter's	Primary	Voluntary Aided	Doncaster