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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to take the opportunity to welcome you and your child back to school, after what I hope was an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

As you are aware, the academy launched a consultation in the middle of March to gather feedback on proposals to create an onsite nursery provision for children aged three and above. I would like to thank those who have responded to the consultation, or attended the drop-in session, for the positive engagement so far. The consultation is still running and will conclude on Monday 29th April so please do take the time to share your feedback if you so wish.

I also wanted to update you on a separate consultation which is being launched today, and led by Norfolk County Council, regarding changes to the catchment area from September 2024. Given the significant growth of new houses planned in the local area, the Council are proposing to change and in the case of our academy, expand the catchment area, to ensure more local children can access a school within their community.

The proposals do not impact children currently attending the academy, but the hope is that children joining reception for the school year 2025/26 will have the option to attend a school with more sustainable travel routes. We have carefully assessed the impact of this proposal, in conjunction with the Council, and are confident that there will continue to be plenty of spaces available for families looking to send their children to OCPPA.

Further details about the proposals are enclosed alongside this letter, but the consultation to gather feedback launches today (Monday 15th April) and will conclude on 24th May at midday. A drop-in session will be held at the school with the Council on Thursday 9th May, from 2.00pm, which staff, parents and wider community members are welcome to attend.

We are looking forward to a positive Summer Term ahead, and would like to thank you all as always for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Louise Watkins Principal

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